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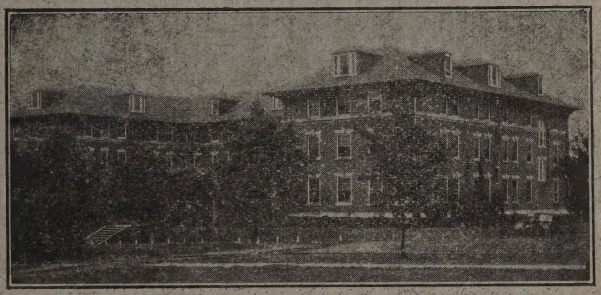

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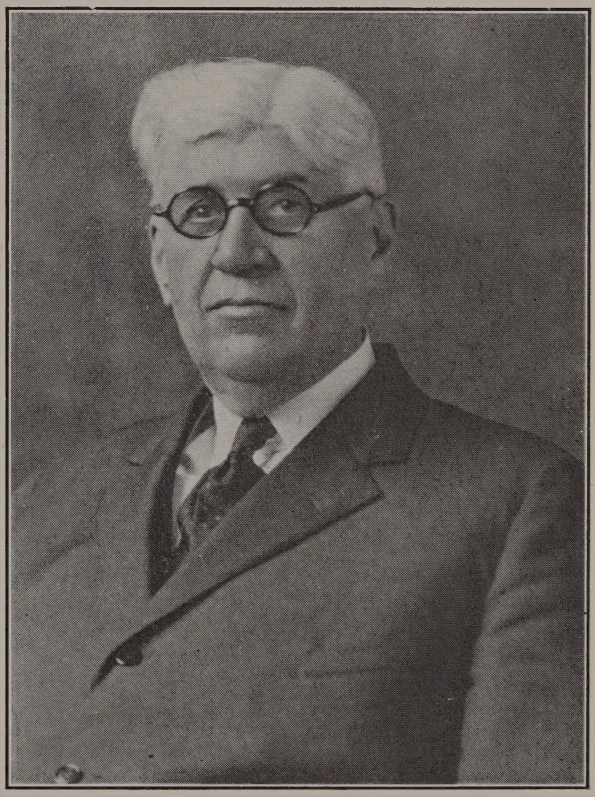

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ALL SESSIONS OF THE SYNOD WERE HELD IN THE CHAPEL OF THE WESTMINSTER HOTEL, WINONA LAKE, INDIANA.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 5, 1929.

The Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America met pursuant to adjournment in the chapel of the Westminster Hotel, Winona Lake, Indiana, on the above date at two p. m., and was opened with a sermon by the retiring Moderator, P. J. McDonald, on the subject, The Missionary Enterprise, Isaiah 9:2, Matthew 28:19, 20, after which he constituted the court with prayer.

Memorial Service.

A memorial service was then held for ministers and others who have passed away during the year. This service was presided over by R. J. G. McKnight. The memoirs of Dr. R. C. Wylie, Rev. J. M. Foster, Dr. J. C. McFeeters, Dr. Thomas McFall, Dr. J. M. Wylie, and of Elders J. D. McAnlis and R. N. Redpath, prepared by those appointed by the Moderator for this purpose, appear in the Appendix. The memorial address was delivered by Walter McCarroll. A number spoke in appreciation of the character and work of the deceased, and the service was closed with prayer by W. T. K. Thompson.

Dr. H. H. Bell extended the greetings and welcome of the Winona Association to the Synod.

Dr. A. L. Warnshuis was presented to the court and spoke of the Jerusalem Council of Missions.

The roll was completed, called and is as follows:

ROLL.

Ministers Elders	Congregation	Attend. Record T—Tardy X—Excused						
Adams, R. C.	Cache Creek	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Aikin, W. A.	Hemet	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Allen, F. E.	Hopkinton	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Anderson, W. J.	Selma							*
Andrews, A. M.	Blanchard	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Baird, M. W.	Sharon	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Blackwood, Dr. J. M.	New Castle	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Blair, R. A.	Parnassus	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Blair, William	East End	*	*	T	*	*	*	*
Boggs, S. R.	Third Philadelphia					*	*	X
Bowes, T. J.	Almonte	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Braum, John	Denison			*	*	*	T	*
Cannon, J. B.	Southfield	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Carlisle, Stewart	Clarinda	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Carson, Charles T.	Sterling	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Carson, M. K.	Sparta	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Clark, Donald	Union	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Coleman, Geo. S.	Cambridge	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Coleman, J. M.	Quinter	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Coleman, John	Geneva College	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Coleman, Paul	Kansas City	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Coleman, W. J.	Theo. Seminary	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Conner, S. G.	Without charge		*	*	*	*	*	*
Copeland, K. S.	Parnassus	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Crooks, E. A.	New Castle	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Cummings, David	Morning Sun	*	T	*	*	*	*	
Dodds, C. A.	Without charge	*	*	*	*	*	T	*
Dodds, Walter	Allegheny	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Donahue, A. P.	Orlando	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Dougherty, M. W.	La Junta	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Edgar, J. D.	Home Resources	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Edgar, Samuel	Santa Ana	*	*	*	*		*	*
Elliott, D. H.	Central Pittsburgh	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Elsey, D. B.	Coldenham	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Elsey, E. M.	Cincinnati	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Faris, Ucal	Bloomington	*	*		*	*	*	*
Ferguson, B. M.	Hopkinton	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Ferguson, W. O.	Denison	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Foster, F. M.	Third New York	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Foster, H. G.	Bellefontaine	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Frazer, F. D.	Portland				*	*	*	*
Fullerton, R. C.	New Alexandria	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Funk, William	Bellefontaine	*	*	*	*	*	X	X
Gault, J. K.	Bear Run				*	*	*	*
Gilmore, J. B.	Union	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Greer, S. E.	First Philadelphia	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Groves, O. S.	Rehoboth, Pa.	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Henderson, T. A.	Walton	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Jackson, Ellsworth E.	First Philadelphia	*	*	*	*	*	*	X
Jameson, M. R.	Olathe	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

Johnston, J. M.	Selma	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Lathom, F. H.	Walton	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Martin, D. B.	Beaver Falls	*	*	*	*	X	X	X
Martin, J. S.	Geneva College	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Martin, R. H.	National Reform	*	*	T	*	T	T	
Mathews, D. C.	Greeley	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Mathews, J. C.	Southfield	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Mitchell, J. T.	Connellsville	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McBurney, W. J.	Princeton	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McCarroll, Walter	Second New York	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McCracken, Paul D.	Rose Point		*	*	*	*	*	*
McDonald, P. J.	Chicago	*	*	*	*	*	*	
McElhinney, J. G.	Denver	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McElwain, T. A.	Without charge		*	*	*	*	*	*
McFarland, A. J.	Beulah and Superior	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McFarland, J. C.	Sterling	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McKelvey, K. S.	Hetherton	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McKelvey, R. H.	Lochiel	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McKnight, E. L.	Allegheny	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McKnight, R. J. G.	Theological Seminary	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McKnight, T. C.	New Concord	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McKnight, W. J.	First Boston	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McLaury, G. G.	Coldenham	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McMillan, M. S.	Clarinda	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
McNeel, W. M.	York	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Park, Robert	Geneva College					*	*	*
Patterson, H. G.	Morning Sun	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Patterson, John L.	Old Bethel	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Pearce, M. M.	Geneva College	*	*	*	X	X	X	X
Peoples, John C.	United Miami	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Pinkerton, R. W.	Portland	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Piper, J. Ren	Oakdale	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Pritchard, J. H.	White Lake	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Purvis, A. T.	Geneva	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Rambo, Robt. M.	Belle Center	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Reade, F. F.	Winnipeg	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Redpath, R. C.	Olathe	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Redpath, R. W.	College Hill	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Reed, J. G.	New Galilee	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Robb, A. D.	Topeka	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Robb, J. K.	Without charge	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Robb, Remo I.	Rehoboth, Ia.	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Ross, Walter	First Boston	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Russell, D. B.	Orlando	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Russell, E. G.	Syracuse	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Russell, T. D.	Bovina	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Russell, W. A.	Central Pittsburgh	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Rutherford, J. M.	Almonte	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Samson, O. L.	Washington	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Sanderson, W. J.	Belle Center	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Slater, J. C.	Geneva	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Slater, T. M.	Montclair	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Smith, A. W.	Barnet	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Smith, Dr. R. E.	Latakia	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

Steele, S. M.	New Alexandria	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Stevenson, J. R. W.	Hebron					*	*	*
Stevenson, M. M.	Hebron					*	*	*
Stewart, F. L.	Second Philadelphia	*	*	X	X	X	X	X
Stewart, J. S.	Without charge	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Taggart, D. R.	Topeka	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Thompson, O. F.	Blanchard			*	*	*	*	*
Thompson, W. T. K.	Mercer	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Tweed, J. Boyd	Geneva College	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Vos, J. G.	Millers Run	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Wallace, George	Cache Creek	*	T	*	*	*	*	*
Wallace, J. M.	Millers Run	T	*	*	*	*	*	*
Wallace, R. Boyd	Stafford	*	*	T	*	X	X	X
Ward, D. C.	Wilkinsburg	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
White, Paul D.	Eskridge	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Willson, J. B.	Without charge	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Wilson, F. M.	Third Philadelphia	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Wilson, J. Walker	College Hill	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Wright, Dr. J. M.	Tak Hing	*	*	*	*	*	*	X
Wylie, A. A.	East End	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Wylie, J. R.	Without charge	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

Ministers present, 81; elders, 44; total, 125. Congregations represented by both minister and elder, 34; by pastor alone, 32; by elder alone, 9; total, 75.

Ministers absent: W. C. Allen, Khalil Awad, Hanna Besna, David Calderwood, W. W. Carithers, C. E. Caskey, Chue Hon Shang, Chung On Tai, Robert Clarke, S. J. Crowe, J. F. Crozier, J. W. Dill, Isaiah Faris, W. S. Fulton, G. N. Greer, R. Hargrave, A. A. Johnston, J. A. Kempf, A. Kilpatrick, S. F. Kingston, J. R. Latimer, Mikhail Lattoof, G. R. Mc Burney, W. C. McClurkin, H. G. McConaughy, R. S. McElhinney, Andrew J. McFarland, William McFarland, J. S. McGaw, R. J. McIsaac, H. B. McMillan, J. C. Mitchel, E. C. Mitchell, E. K. Patton, J. L. Pinkerton, R. W. Piper, James Potter, A. I. Robb, G. M. Robb, W. M. Robb, W G Robb, B. M. Sharp, T. C. Sproull, A. M. Thompson, J. S. Thompson, Boyd A. White. Total, 46.

Congregations not represented: Brookland, Cornwallis, Delburne, Fresno, Lake Reno, Lisbon, Los Angeles, Lo Ting, Newburg, Regina, Seattle, T'aar P'eny, Vernon, Winchester, Youngstown. Total, 15.

Ministers ordained or received since the last meeting of Synod were presented by the Clerks of their respective Presbyteries: Armour J. McFarland, by Kansas Presbytery, pastor of Beulah and Superior congregations; Franklin H. Lathom, by New York Presbytery, pastor of Walton congregation; J. G. Vos, by Pittsburgh Presbytery, pastor of Miller Run congregation. Pittsburgh Presbytery also reported the reception of J. H. Potter, an ordained minister,

from the United Presbyterian Church. Mr. Potter was not present.

Election of Officers.

The election of officers resulted in the unanimous choice of J. M. Johnston as Moderator. The Clerk and Assistant Clerk, D. C. Mathews and D. B. Martin respectively were re-elected.

The Rev. W. R. McEwen of the Irish Synod was presented to the Court, extended the courtesies of the floor and made a consultative member.

The report of the Clerk was submitted, adopted item by item and as a whole, and is as follows:

CLERK'S REPORT.

The Clerk would respectfully report:

Nine hundred copies of the 1928 Minutes of Synod were published. The printing was done by J. K. Latta of Morning Sun, Iowa. Notwithstanding unavoidable delay on the part of the Clerk in preparing the copy, Mr. Latta delivered the books at approximately the date agreed upon, which was several weeks earlier than in recent years. The Clerk has discovered nothing calling for correction except in the Directory of Pacific Coast Presbytery, the Stated Supply at Fresno should have been J. C. Mitchel instead of J. C. Mathews and in the last line of page 46 the Roman numerals should have been used.

Synod's Docket, containing the usual features, has been published. As the supply last year was exhausted, and because of the presence of the ladies of the Women's Synodical this year, it was thought advisable to increase the number, five hundred copies being provided. These are for sale at ten cents a copy. It is hoped all will be taken.

The following Conferences and special programs have been arranged: Wednesday evening, the Celebration of the Hundredth Meeting of Synod. Thursday and Saturday evenings, the Round Table Conferences directed by last Synod. Friday evening, Foreign Mission Conference.

As directed by Synod, a letter of thanks was sent Mr. Elmer Funk, Cashier of the Lake City Bank, Warsaw, Ind., for his kind co-operation in handling Synod's Traveling Fund last year. A reply, signed by the Moderator and Clerk, was sent the Rev. A. C. Gregg in response to his letter read at the last Synod. The Clerk also notified Mrs. J. W. Pritchard of the action of Synod in extending her a vote of thanks for her service to the church in editing the Christian Nation.

The Moderator also magnified his office by preparing a letter of greeting to the Young Peoples Conferences of the summer, tho not specifically charged with this duty by Synod. The letter was sent out by the Clerk. The Moderator also, follow-

ing the national election last fall, addressed an appropriate letter to the President-elect, congratulating him on his election and calling his attention to the moral issues which contributed so largely to the result, and expressing the hope that, in keeping with the traditions of his faith, he would throw his great influence on the side of world peace and a more effective enforcement of the prohibitory laws. Mr. Hoover courteously acknowledged the receipt of this letter.

Synod having directed that a letter be sent President Coolidge, asking that suitable recognition of Christ be made in the Thanksgiving Proclamation, at the request of the Moderator, T. M. Slater who prepared the report on Signs of the Times last year, prepared such a petition, which was signed by the Moderator and Clerk and forwarded, but unfortunately too late to reach the president before the issuance of his Proclamation. It would doubtless be a suitable time to present such a petition to President Hoover this year, before the issuance of his first Thanksgiving Proclamation.

Recommendations:

1. That the hours of meeting be fixed as follows: 9 to 12 a. m.; 2 to 5 p. m.; and the evening sessions and Conferences from 7:30 to 9.

2. That one half hour following roll call each morning be set apart for a devotional service in accordance with the program prepared by the Committee on Devotional Exercises, and published in the Docket.

3. That the usual collection for Synod expenses be taken at the close of the devotional period on Saturday morning.

4. That the sermon of the Retiring Moderator be requested for publication.

5. That the Presbyteries be granted the privilege of holding meetings in this place during the intervals of Synod.

6. That the Committee on Nominations of this Synod be instructed to prepare a list of those to whom letters of sympathy should be written, and to name those to write such letters on behalf of Synod.

7. That the Committee on Nominations propose the name of one to be the Moderator's Alternate to preach the sermon at the opening of Synod next year.

8. That R. W. Redpath with Elders J. W. Wilson and A. D. Robb, be appointed a Committee on Announcements to arrange a schedule of times and places for the meetings of Presbyteries, Boards, Committees, etc., and announce the same at the close of each session.

9. That the hearing of the representatives of the American Bible Society, Near East Relief, and kindred organizations be made the order of the day immediately following recess on Monday, each speaker being allowed ten minutes.

10. That the officers of Synod be instructed to memorialize President Hoover to make a suitable acknowledgment of Christ in his Thanksgiving Proclamation.

11. That the following letters be read by the Assistant Clerk:

a. From the Synod in Ireland, written by the Rev. R. Holmes.

b. The Moderator's letter to President-elect Hoover, and Mr. Hoover's reply.

c. Reply of Forest Park Conference to letter of greeting from the Moderator. D. C. MATHEWS, Clerk.

H. G. Patterson reported as Chairman of the Committee on Devotional Exercises that a program had been prepared and published in the Docket. The report was adopted.

Synod adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at nine o'clock, prayer by R. A. Blair.

THURSDAY FORENOON, JUNE 6, 1929.

Synod convened at 9 a. m., was called to order by the Moderator and by him constituted with prayer.

The roll was called. The devotional service was conducted by E. G. Russell. The minutes of the preceding session were read, corrected and adopted.

A letter of greeting from the Irish Synod was read by the Assistant Clerk.

The report of Synod's Board of Trustees was read by J. S. Tibby, and together with Mr. Tibby's report as Treasurer referred to the Committee on Finance.

In view of the large bequest of Mr. Samuel Huston it was resolved that, at a suitable time, his widow, who is attending the Women's Synodical, be presented to the court.

The report of the Foreign Mission Board was submitted by the Secretary, F. M. Wilson, who requested that, in view of the brevity of the report, other members of the Board be heard with reference to the work in the various fields. F. M. Foster spoke of the work in China; Walter McCarroll of the work in Cyprus and Tarsus; T. M. Slater and Samuel Edgar of the work in Syria. The report of the Board, together with the field reports, was referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions, with special reference of item 2 to the Committee on Discipline.

The report of the Board of Home Missions was read by J. B. Willson and referred to the Committee on Home Missions.

The report of the Jewish Mission Board was read by S. E. Greer and referred to the Committee on Home Missions.

The report of the Board of Church Erection was read by the Secretary, S. E. Greer, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

D. B. Martin offered his resignation as a member of the Board of Control. It was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The report of the Board of Control was read by H. G. Patterson and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The reports of Joseph M. Steele of the funds in his care, together with the Auditor's certificates were submitted and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mrs. Agnes E. Steele submitted her report as Treasurer of the Woman's Association. It was referred to the Committee on Finance.

J. S. Tibby reported on the printing and sale of the 1928 Minutes and on the Literary Fund. Both reports were referred to the Committee on Finance.

Synod took recess until 2 p. m., prayer by Elder Stewart Carlisle.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 6, 1929.

Synod reconvened at 2 p. m., was called to order by the Moderator, and led in prayer by Elder S. M. Steele.

The roll was called. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The Moderator announced the following committees:

COMMITTEES NAMED BY THE MODERATOR

REGULAR

Nominations—

A. A. Wylie
W. T. K. Thompson
J. K. Gault
Walter Dodds
Ellsworth Jackson

Finance—

P. J. McDonald
Remo Robb
W. O. Ferguson
O. L. Samson
Stewart Carlisle

Foreign Missions—

E. A. Crooks
M. S. McMillan
J. K. Robb
George Wallace
S. M. Steele

Home Missions—

D. C. Park
John C. Peoples
S. E. Greer
M. M. Pearce
W. A. Aikin

Discipline—

John C. Slater
F. M. Foster
J. G. Reed
T. J. Bowes
J. C. McFarland

Theological Seminary—

R. C. Fullerton
J. G. McElhinney
E. G. Russell
A. W. Smith
R. C. Redpath

Geneva College—

Paul Coleman
F. M. Wilson
T. C. McKnight
D. C. Ward
Ucal Faris

National Reform—

Walter McCarroll
J. M. Coleman
F. H. Lathom
M. W. Baird
J. W. Wilson

Supplies—

W. J. Sanderson
E. M. Elsey
H. G. Foster
T. A. Henderson
R. Boyd Wallace

Time and Place—

J. B. Willson
Paul D. McCracken
J. H. Pritchard
Walter Ross
T. D. Russell

Traveling Fund—

J. M. Wallace and the Financial Agents of the Presbyteries.

RECORDS OF PRESBYTERIES

Central Canada—

M. W. Dougherty
F. E. Allen
David Cummings

China—

M. S. McMillan
A. D. Robb
Ucal Faris

Colorado—

R. C. Adams
J. Boyd Tweed
G. G. McLaury

Illinois—

Chas. T. Carson
E. A. Crooks
A. P. Donahue

Iowa—

E. M. Elsey
John Coleman
R. W. Pinkerton

Kansas—

E. L. McKnight
R. H. Martin
William Blair

New York—

J. K. Robb
A. J. McFarland
B. M. Ferguson

Ohio—

Paul D. White
W. O. Ferguson
George Wallace

Pacific Coast—

O. F. Thompson
J. R. W. Stevenson
A. M. Andrews

Philadelphia—

D. R. Taggart
C. A. Dodds
K. S. Copeland

Pittsburgh—
Geo. S. Coleman
D. Bruce Elsey
W. J. Anderson

Rochester—
D. H. Elliott
J. S. Stewart
J. M. Blackwood

STANDING

Devotional Exercises—
T. M. Slater
A. W. Smith
J. G. Vos
W. A. Russell
Donald Clark

Signs of the Times—
W. J. McKnight
Samuel Edgar
H. G. Foster
Robert Rambo
K. S. McKelvey

Secret Societies—
J. C. Mathews
W. J. McBurney
M. K. Carson
John L. Patterson
J. Ren Piper

Unfinished Business—
D. C. Mathews
D. B. Martin

The report of the Board of Trustees of Geneva College was submitted by its Secretary, J. G. Reed, and referred to the Committee on Geneva College. President M. M. Pearce was heard in behalf of the College. A unanimous rising vote of appreciation and commendation was given Dr. Pearce and the Faculty for their skillful handling of a difficult situation at the College. The sympathy of Synod was also expressed to Dr. Pearce in his impaired health, and best wishes for his European trip.

A paper prepared by Dr. H. L. Smith of Bloomington, Indiana, and regularly transferred by Illinois Presbytery was submitted. Dr. Smith was extended the courtesy of the floor to present and interpret the petition. The paper was referred to a special committee of five to be named by the Committee on Nominations, and to report before the end of this Synod.

A resolution on the payment of the traveling expenses of regularly appointed supplies, offered by F. M. Foster, was referred to the Committee on Supplies.

The report of the Witness Committee was read by E. L. McKnight and considered item by item. An additional item offered by Geo. S. Coleman was adopted. The report as amended was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE WITNESS COMMITTEE

The Witness Committee would respectfully report that our congregations have been supplied with new tracts on our principles three times this past year. Last fall we sent the revised

chapters of our Testimony, a clear forcible and authoritative presentation of the political position for which we stand. In the winter we sent a tract, "The Church Versus the Lodge" by Dr. D. H. Elliott, a clearcut and conclusive argument for the church and against the lodge. This spring we sent a tract on Psalmody, "The Psalms, the Heart of the Bible," by Dr. J. M. Coleman, a simple, strong and persuasive appeal that the inspired Word be given the place in the worship of God that he has appointed for it. All three were short, four-page tracts, readable and attractive, and all were reports that were passed upon by Synod.

This year the Committee has spent no money for management, advertising, or lectures. All our funds, beside that required to supply our congregations, have gone into enclosures to ministers of other denominations, each with a circular letter introducing the subject, a copy of a petition, when on our position, and appropriate reading matter presenting our testimony.

In addition to literature sent to congregations and to ministers, we have a few friends among the ministers and members of our Church each of whom takes fifty to one hundred tracts every quarter and sends them to religious laymen of their own selection. These friends provide the stamps, envelopes and labor to reach neighbors whom they think will give the message an intelligent hearing. We would like to enlist more friends in this service. This is something that any one can do and it is our only way to reach the laymen of other Churches.

Though the method of doing our work by sending out literature to ministers and laymen has been criticised, we still think it a very effectve way of doing our work and of using the Church's money. The materials cost a little more than formerly, but when we can lay our testimony on any of our principles on the desks and under the eyes of sixteen ministers for one dollar and do it in the quietest, most unobtrusive and intelligent manner, we can think of no better plan. Quite likely some of it is not read, but every man receiving it has it called to his attention and the responsibility rests with him. This method has the support of all reform associations in the country and of some of the most enterprising and successful business firms.

J. M. Coleman gave Lectures on the Christian Amendment in Tarkio and Greenville Colleges in October, in Miltonvale College in December, and in Lindborg and Kansas Wesleyan in January. These lectures were arranged for and delivered without cost to the church.

Dr. R. J. G. McKnight gave a large number of lectures in Ireland and Scotland which met with great acceptance. These lectures were arranged for by the Witness Bearing Committee of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Ireland.

Your Committee has been planning this year to concentrate our work in some State of the Union and trying to persuade its people to adopt a Christian Amendment to its Constitution, as a beginning toward securing a Christian Amendment to the Federal Constitution. This is the method followed by other movements, as prohibition and woman suffrage. We had selected Kansas as the State, planned a new Committee centering at Topeka and elected a new superintendent with this purpose in

view. Two reasons have held us back; one that the man chosen as well qualified, the Rev. J. Clifford Mathews, declined the appointment and the other that our funds scarcely warrant the new move. Then some of our friends have thought that what we are doing is the best that can be done at present.

The amount of work that we can do and the number of people reached are limited only by what we are given. Every time you cut off one dollar from this cause, you cut off the chance of sixteen ministers to learn our principles. Every time you cut off one hundred dollars from this cause, you cut off the chance of sixteen hundred ministers to learn our principles. Every time you cut off one thousand dollars from this cause, you cut off the chance of sixteeen thousand ministers to learn our principles. We regard this work as one of the most aggressive enterprises of the Covenanter Church. The reason for our separate existence as a Church is the reason for the work of this committee.

The balance on hand at the close of last year was	$ 159.94
Amount received during the year	4,657.52
Amount expended	3,868.20
Balance on hand April 1, 1929	949.26

The members of the Committee whose term expires at this time are W. J. Coleman, E. L. McKnight and Oliver Wylie. Their successors are to be chosen by this Synod.

We offer the following recommendations:

1. That the arrangement to provide and send new tracts to our congregations each quarter be continued.

2. That the sending out of literature on our distinctive principles to the ministers of the churches around us be carried on up to the limit of the means provided.

3. That individual officers and members of our congregations be encouraged to prepare lists of laymen to whom literature may be sent and to mail them tracts every quarter.

4. That when the way seems open and the means provided will permit, the Committee be authorized to put into effect the plan proposed to concentrate our efforts on some State of the Union and to nominate a committee in that State to have control of the work.

5. That while the spirit of prayer and evangelism is rising in our Church we will bear in mind our nation's need of salvation and will pray that America be brought to repentance and the acceptance of the law of Christ.

6. That the Witness Committee be authorized and directed to take steps to learn the possibilities of a Federation of Psalm-singing churches and groups to advocate Psalm singing.

7. That D. B. Martin be elected to membership in the committee.

E. L. McKNIGHT,
J. B. WILLSON,
R. J. G. McKNIGHT,
JOHN C. SLATER,
W. J. COLEMAN,
JAMES S. TIBBY,
J. BOYD TWEED,
PAUL D. McCRACKEN.

The filling of vacancies on the Committee was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

The hour for adjournment having arrived, J. R. Wylie led in prayer adjourning the court.

FRIDAY FORENOON, JUNE 7, 1929.

Synod met according to adjournment, was called to order by the Moderator, and constituted with prayer by D. C. Mathews. The Alphabetic roll was called.

The devotional service was conducted by Elder Walter Dodds of Pittsburgh Presbytery. The minutes of the preceding session were read and approved.

At the request of F. F. Reade, F. E. Allen, J. B. Gilmore, and elders R. A. M. Steele and J. M. Wallace were appointed to serve with Mr. Reade as a provisional Presbytery of Central Canada, to meet during this meeting of Synod.

Mrs. Samuel Huston was presented to the court in accordance with the action of yesterday.

A paper from members of the Orlando congregation and regularly transferred by Philadelphia Presbytery, was referred to the Committee on Discipline.

A letter from the correspondent of the Irish Synod was read and referred to the Moderator for answer.

The report of the Committee on the Christian Attitude Toward War, prepared by Dr. R. C. Wylie and laid over from last year was read by S. E. Greer, and taken up item by item. Item 1 was adopted. Pending discussion of Item 2, the report was recommitted, to be resubmitted at 10 a. m. Monday. The Committee on Nominations was instructed to name three additional members of the Committee.

The report of the Committee on Temperance was submitted by the Chairman, Paul Coleman, and considered item by item. Pending consideration of Item 4, the report was recommitted.

Synod took recess until 2 p. m., Elder Ellsworth E. Jackson leading in prayer.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 7, 1929.

Synod reconvened, was called to order by the Moderator, and led in prayer by Elder T. A. Henderson. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

A letter from the Presbyterian Church of Canada was read by the Assistant Clerk and referred to the Moderator for answer. A paper from Ohio Presbytery was read and referred to the Committee on Discipline.

The report of the Mission Conference was read by E. G. Russell, adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF MISSION CONFERENCE.

The Mission Conference met in the Westminster Hotel, Winona Lake, Ind., on June 4, 1929, and was called to order by M. K. Carson. Its completed roll totaled eighteen members, fourteen being from presbyteries, and four representing the Board of Home Missions. J. G. McElhinney was elected chairman, E. G. Russell secretary and D. B. Martin assistant secretary.

Twenty-six congregations applied for and received specific grants for aid. Provision was made that two others might secure funds so that whatever work shall be carried forward by them may have adequate support. The Selma congregation, included in the list last year, does not appear this year inasmuch as it is taken care of by the Board of Home Missions without action by this Conference. Connellsville and Chicago congregations have been added to the list this year. Winnipeg and White Lake congregations are the only ones which reduced the amount of their requests and deserve commendation for so doing. Other requests and appropriations granted remain quite the same. Colorado Presbytery is the only one in which the congregations are all self-supporting.

The following appropriations were made:

Central Canada Presbytery—

Delburne—$1000 on condition they raise $400.
Lake Reno—$700 on condition they raise $700.
Winnipeg—$1000.
Regina—$300 for preaching, referring their situation to the Board of Home Missions for settlement in cooperation with their Presbytery.

Illinois Presbytery—

Princeton—$375.

Iowa Presbytery—

Chicago—$200.
Washington and Wyman—$600.
Vernon—$300 to be placed in the hands of the Board to be used at its discretion.

Kansas Presbytery—

Stafford—$600.
Eskridge—$500.

Pacific Coast Presbytery—

Fresno—$800.
Hemet—$600.

Philadelphia Presbytery—

Orlando—$800.

Pittsburgh Presbytery—

Rose Point—$400.
Rehoboth—$500 to be placed with the Board for work as secured.
Union—$800 this year for special reasons.
Bear Run and Mahoning—$700 this year for special reasons.
Youngstown—$600 placed with the Board to be used at their discretion.
Connellsville—$200.

Ohio Presbytery—

Bellefontaine—$950.
Hetherton—$800.
Cedarville—$115 on condition they raise $115.
Utica—The Board to grant this congregation the difference between what they raise and their minimum for pastor's salary, to be used for pastor or supplies.

New York Presbytery—

Coldenham—$400.
White Lake—$500.
Montclair—$1,000 for special reasons.
The sum of $500 was set aside to be used by New York Presbytery along with the Board of Home Missions in the interests of the work of the Cornwallis Congregation.

Rochester Presbytery—

Lochiel—$900.

We recommend:

The Presbyteries together with the Board of Home Missions shall use the first year men of the Seminary for religious leadership in vacant congregations during the summer months and whatever other time such laborers may take.

Respectfully submitted,
J. G. McELHINNEY, Chairman,
E. G. RUSSELL, Secretary.

The report of the Co-ordinating Committee was read by W. J. McBurney, and was laid on the table to be taken up after the report of the Committee on Foreign Missions.

A delegation was received bearing greetings from the

Women's Synodical and presenting a beautiful floral offering representing the number of the members of the Synodical and of the ministers of the church who have passed away during the past two years.

The report of the Secretary of Home Resources and Young People's Work was read by C. T. Carson. The report was amended, adopted and is as follows:

REPORT SECRETARY OF YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK AND HOME RESOURCES.

Dear Fathers and Brethren:

We submit the following report: The work being new, time has been given to observation as well as to actual work. Four departments have been under our hands—Evangelistic, Stewardship, Home Missions and Young People's.

The office was established at Sterling, Kansas. The printing is done largely in Wichita by The Sandstrum Press where the work is done cheaply and accurately.

The services of Miss Lucile Dill, junior in Sterling College, were secured for assistance in the office. Miss Dill has proven efficient and deeply interested in the work. With her help, we have sent out 3,338 letters since the first of August. Miss Dill has sent out prayer requests in behalf of the Southern and Indian Missions.

I shall report the work by departments.

Evangelistic Work.

Each congregation was asked to hold evangelistic meetings during the year, if possible, and precede such meetings with an evangelistic campaign of prayer and personal work. A number of congregations followed the plan with profit. They had the joy of seeing people profess the name of Christ. They followed these conversions with a program to conserve converts to our own Church, indoctrinating them into substantial, dependable Covenanters.

It is our belief that if the Covenanter Church is to hold its own, it will be necessary for a larger number of congregations to have such an evangelistic program whereby they will not only convert the unsaved but will bring them into the fellowship of our own Church. True, we must feed the flock of God, but we must also reach the unsaved and bring them into the fellowship of the Covenanter Church, else we shall soon have no flock to feed.

Some congregations, this year, did without evangelistic meetings, either because they were unwilling to have the pastors of other congregations assist in the meetings or because other pastors were unwilling. There should be willingness on the part of pastors to reciprocate in such work and on the part of congregations to have their pastors make such an exchange.

The same program does not always fit all fields. Generally the most successful program for us is a twelve-months-in-the-year evangelistic program in the form of prayer and per-

sonal evangelism with a two weeks' series of meetings sometime during the year as a period of ingathering.

Your Secretary has participated in some evangelistic work this year. One hundred forty-seven sermons and addresses have been delivered since the first of August, the majority of which were given in connection with evangelistic meetings.

Of the fields visited, perhaps Sparta and Selma have gone farthest in realizing fruitage from families outside our Church. Both congregations reached definitely into the community after unchurched families. Selma has received twenty-one from the outside since last November; while Sparta has received a little over half this number from the world.

Reports from a number of other congregations indicate a steady program and much prayer and personal work.

A number of our congregations report not a single convert or accession during the year. There should be enough applied spirituality in an ordinary congregation to convert and win to our Church some each year.

If each congregation will begin a definite, personal evangelism campaign with a view both to leading the unsaved to Christ and winning them and others to the Covenanter Church, we will be blessed with a growing constituency. Usually such work should be followed with two weeks' evangelistic meetings.

We close this part of the report with an expression of regret at the loss of Mr. R. A. M. Steele, who has for several years served the Church faithfully in evangelism. Mr. Steele has gone into business again. Expressions of high appreciation of his services came from a number of congregations where he assisted in evangelistic work this year and regret from the pen of a number when they heard of his resignation. We found in Mr. Steele an efficient and spirit-filled assistant. He did much good.

Stewardship.

The first work in this department was to send out large wall posters for the Synodical Budget. The work of the Budget and the matter of Stewardship were both advertised through the pages of the Covenanter Witness. Every Member Canvass Cards and Stewardship literature were printed and sent out to congregations desiring them. Prayer requests for the Budget were sent out through the pages of the Witness and also directly to congregations through their pastors. A connection was established between congregations desiring it and the Layman Company of Chicago for literature at a nominal cost, on tithing. This literature was an excellent series to be used over a period of months. A number of congregations availed themselves of it, and testify as to its value. This year, a little less than eighty-five per cent of the Budget was raised.

To raise a Budget of $100,000, the following should be kept in mind. First, we should realize that $100,000 is not a large Budget for our Church. Second, a more systematic plan should be used in many of our congregations to keep the status of contributions weekly before the membership. Where a systematic plan has been used to give the congregation full information,

their Budget has been raised. The blackboard suggested during the winter is adequate but will not work itself.

Third, the obligation of Stewardship and Tithing should be more faithfully taught in some quarters. It is not to the credit of a pastor for him to say he never mentions finances. Every Christian duty laid down in the Word of God, even the duty of tithing, should be faithfully and forcefully put before the congregation by the pastor.

Fourth, most congregations need a more systematic method of teaching the tithe. Synod might prepare a booklet on the subject of giving, for the Juniors and another for Young People. The coming generation will then think nothing of raising a Budget the size of ours.

Fifth, the Every Member Canvass should be thoroughly carried out yearly in each congregation. Boards sometimes assume they know what people will subscribe or what they will say, therefore the Canvass is unnecessary. Each Board should remember that the individual is the steward and no man or group of men has the right to assume what he will do or what he will say with reference to his obligation. It is ideal where all pledge at least most of their tithe to be used through the Covenanter Church. Some congregations generously helped stray evangelists to the tune of $1400 to $1700 per month while they let their pastors who take all the bumps, work for almost a year for the same amount. Too large a portion of our money in some quarters goes in this way while our own work suffers.

Sixth, the congregations which begin payments on their Budget for the new year before Synod meets, we note, are the ones which most easily raise their quota. Every congregation should contribute something to the Budget each month during the Synodical year, beginning with April.

Aside from the failure to tithe and pay it into our Church treasuries, perhaps the most serious difficulty in raising the Budget is the failure of many congregations to begin payment until so late in the year that it is then a burden. The draw-backs in completing the Budget are:

1. Contributors are too far removed from the schemes they support under our present Budget system. We are not appealing to the hearts of our people as we should. Giving is a matter of **the law** plus **the heart.** The law should be obeyed and the appeal should be to the heart. While we used to fail in the former, we are now remiss in the latter.

2. Many congregations do not begin to contribute to the Budget early enough in the year. The close of the year is a heavy strain and drain. Synod should seek a cure to this eleventh-hour giving.

3. The proportion of tithers in our Church is too small. Every Christian should recognize and be obedient to this duty.

We submit the following as a solution of our failure to raise the budget in full: 1. Let pastors, in all congregations having difficulty raising the Budget, be furnished a schedule of the schemes of the Church with dates for sermons. Let them enjoin their people to remember in prayer for the month, the scheme preached upon, and pay toward the Budget with this scheme in

mind, with an effort to raise as much that month as the extent to which that scheme participates in the Budget.

2. Let the last month of the Synodical year be saved for a drive to complete the Budget in full, where necessary.

3. Let each congregation be enjoined to educate its constituents in tithing, using this year the literature of The Layman Company of Chicago, with the month of April as the Every Member Canvass month.

We most heartily commend congregations which contributed this year beyond their allotted proportion, of the Budget to aid congregations less able to raise their proportion, as Southfield, Kansas City and others. Such spirit universally practiced will assure a 100% Budget each year.

Home Missions.

The 1929 Prayer Meeting Topics were prepared. The expressed desire of last Synod for "a program through which an awakened spiritual life will find expression in church building" was kept in mind. They were built around the general theme "Building the Kingdom Through the Covenanter Church in 1929." A message was prepared for Presbyteries for the purpose of stimulating a deeper spiritual life among our people. Evidence of its value was received.

Our Home Mission problem is both grave and difficult. Grave, in view of the tragedy of dying congregations, and difficult in view of discouraged people and the paucity of candidates for pastors.

Many of our congregations are too small to adequately support a pastor and have little tendency toward building themselves into self-sustaining congregations. There are noteworthy exceptions. However, there is an inferiority complex with some that their case is hopeless. They have little inclination to try to build up by converting their unsaved neighbors and receive them into the Church. Besides, some groups are more particular about the man they get than the salary they pay him. Some men are unacceptable to congregations, and certain congregations and the salaries they can pay with the suplements, are unacceptable to candidates. Moreover, most of our ministers not settled in fields are engaged in other pursuits or have retired from pastorates on account of advancing years. A few of these would do supply work but our congregations are wanting for most part not supplies but pastors. **They need pastors.**

Added to these facts, few new congregations have been started by our Church in many years. Statistical reports indicate a substantial growth in Church membership during the years new congregations were being built, and a decrease in membership during the years following, when few new home fields were opened up. A partial study of other denominations indicates a decimated membership where no new fields are opened. We believe that, although we have many small congregations we should open a few new well-chosen fields for the sake of conserving to the Church our people who are seeking new locations and are being lost to us.

With reference to our weak congregations and an insufficient leadership, we are face to face with the alternative of disorganizing weak congregations or providing leaders and building them up into self-sustaining ones. The latter is the Scriptural course and to follow it, we must raise up a ministry rightly trained as leaders, give them an adequate support and insist that they build up their congregations. We are not up to a past generation in this matter.

We are in need of a new faith in the work God has given us to do. A suitable motto is, "It can be done." A solution of our Home Mission problem demands that we learn to think of our congregations as growing rather than dying. It is not God's will that we should perish. "This Church must glow and grow and go forward and I must help to make it so," is a philosophy much needed.

Moreover, we should have a new view of the world's need of our message. It is not wrong for us to expect fruitage. We should want to see our Church grow. We should want all the world to profess with us the great truths we hold. Should we not put ourselves as leaders under the necessity of so preaching and teaching as to be able to report a net gain from the world? A budget of souls would do much if strictly adhered to, to cure our indifference. It would send us to our knees and to fastings. Is it possible some of us are expecting our congregations eventually to die? Is this loyalty to the great truths given us to hold and preach? Should we not expect our congregations to grow?

To disseminate our message, each congregation needs a twelve-months-in-the-year evangelistic program, which uses the large per cent of the congregations as a working force. Each congregation should be a force to work with. If a persecuted church has recorded of it that its members went everywhere preaching the Word, should not an unpersecuted church so live that every member is a missionary?

In order to make the Home Church a growing church, we must believe tremendously in the mission God has given us. In every center, there should be the work of evangelization followed with a program of indoctrination.

During the year, we have given much thought and attention to the Home Mission situation. Congregations calling in vain for leaders, who in their judgment would be able to meet the need. The number of available candidates for the pastorate is inadequate. Some congregations went without more than a few weeks' shepherding during the year. They may have been too exacting in some cases, yet it would be foolish to attempt to force on a congregation as a leader, some one they felt was unsuitable to the work.

We are today witnessing the tragedy of dying fires in some of our fields because of the utter discouragement of the people. Only one thing will stop this discouragement—**growth.** There is only one way, Christ's way, to make a growing congregation—preach an evangelistic message and receive converts into

the Church. The only way to make such work permanent is a program of indoctrination.

A questionaire, suggested by several pastors, was sent out. One pastor in sending back his report says, "It is a fine method of holding up before us our sin of neglect, indifference and laziness. Perhaps, it has been good for my soul but it has been hard to answer." Another writes, "I think it is a good thing to call our attention to what we might have done more than we did. I . . . . passed it on to my people. I think that was their reaction also."

In a number of congregations, there has been evidence of a revival. The unsaved have been reached with the Gospel and a goodly number brought into the membership of the Church. The workers have not been satisfied with merely converting sinners but have worked hard to bring them into the full truth of the Word and into our fellowship. Were this done in every congregation, it would be an advance step worthwhile both in spreading our doctrines and in building up our membership. One pastor writes, "We are expecting to have a very happy time this spring because the Lord has favored us in leading some young people to a decision to follow Christ and unite with the Church. We have seven in prospect . . . . all in attendance at Church, Sabbath School and Young People's meeting. This is the result of two particular influences, one of which has been the prayer group . . . . . I have wrestled more this year than in any previous year of my ministry and have done some real sweating over the problems but I have kept up my evangelistic appeals. That has kept the decision before them. The other influence is the sowing of the seed before I came. The coming of these people into the Church will greatly strengthen the faith of our people in prayer."

In view of decimation of our numbers, we need to intensify our religion. We need new recruits to take the place of those falling by the way. Let us remember it isn't the new converts alone that are forsaking us. It is frequently those who have been Convenanters by birth for many generations.

I am convinced we must choose between a more aggressive leadership in our respective communities and being swallowed up in the maelstrom of worldliness and modernism which is fast making a devil's playhouse of the church. We can't just stand and exist. We must lead forward. Shall we yield to the encroachments of Satan or make our religion so intense that it will warm others and glow in us even in this frigid age?

Our only hope is obedience to the aggressive, conservative program of Christ for His Church of converting men and then indoctrinating them so as to fortify them against the disintegrating forces of the world. We are not wholly serving Him when we fail to preach an evangelistic message, nor are we wholly serving Him when we lead men to Christ and pass them over to other churches, to live on standards lower than those we profess.

It is possible to become so picayunish about trampling on the toes of sister denominations as to lose the sense of the value of our profession of truth. We may go so far in this matter as to

make it cost us our life. God's truth is greater than men's feelings. One may so hide behind it as to justify an unaggressive ministry. A profession of truth coupled with an aggressive program will build up a community in strength. Turn converts to a profession which permits a worldly life in the church and one contributes to the destruction of the very confession he led the sinner to make. Moreover, we owe it to new converts to be patient with them once they are received into church membership and pray much for them while they are making life's adjustments? Why should we advise converts to join other denominations assuming there is no place for them among us who hold stern principles? The world needs such principles and newly converted men can be expected to subscribe to them. If they were impossible, we would not hold them.

This matter of the Home Church is as important as the life of the Church itself for it means its life. Our Home and Foreign Missions, our college, our Seminary, our work in Reform and Witness Bearing—all, depend upon the life and strength of the Home Church. The situation demands a strong program in the years just ahead of us which will build us up in numbers, and faithfulness to our profession. This can be done only as we obey the Holy Spirit in all things, looking to Him alone for direction and leadership and giving Him all the glory. Through Him alone can we "lengthen our cords and strengthen our stakes."

Young People's Work.

The young people's topic cards were prepared following the regular Christian Endeavor topics. Eight substitutions were made.

All summer conferences where we were present last year were well attended except one. Weather conditions affected the attendance here. We attended conferences in Kansas, Iowa, Illinois and Pennsylvania.

During the year, assistance has been given to those preparing programs for this year's conferences. There is an attempt at a still closer coordination of plans. We find a generous and ready response from the convention officers.

Time has been spent in preparation for the 1930 National Young People's Convention to be held at Winona. Plans are under way and a program partially formulated to be submitted to the new officers to be elected this year. Much enthusiasm prevails among our Young People over "Winona Prospects." We bespeak your faithful co-operation in working out plans for this convention.

Perhaps nothing has gone out of the office this year meeting a more hearty appreciation than the Young People's Pledge in the form of a book-mark. It is hoped pastors will seek to have the Pledge thoroughly committed and understood by their young people. Copies of the constitution, "wall pledge" and "standards of efficiency" have been furnished where needed.

At the request of some of the young people, a questionaire was sent to the societies to ascertain the practicability of providing a small sheet for the exchange of ideas among the young people. The response was enthusiastically in favor of it but

there was some objection. Besides, the Editor of the Covenanter Witness graciously offered space for a Young People's Page in our church paper. This was undertaken and we have already had many expressions of appreciation. The young people are attempting to see the Witness in at least 90% of our homes. A news sheet is being prepared for distribution at our young people's conferences this year, advertising the young people's work and particularly the 1930 Winona Conference.

Many societies have responded to the special request for prayer which has been sent out in behalf of our Indian and Southern Missions. Six societies united with our office in special prayer for a revival in these missions, praying for at least twenty new members by Synod time. In behalf of the Southern Mission, the prayers have been more than answered; while for the Indian Mission, our faith was not quite up to the needs of the situation. The young people are being asked to lay hold upon God in a still larger way this coming year.

A series of letters were sent to prospective young men for the ministry. Other messages are being prepared to follow these during the coming year. About eighty young men have been sent two letters each, pressing the claims of the ministry. This is done not with a view to urging them to enter the ministry but rather to listen to the voice of God and do His will in the matter. Some excellent responses have been received. Some have replied that they are definitely sure God wants them in other callings. The names of these have been dropped from the list. New names are being added as supplied by parents, pastors and friends. We are led to believe the Lord is blessing this plan for filling our ranks.

Our young people are interested in the Covenanter Church and her work. As a group, they are deeply religious. Few of them care for artificial things in religion. They are seeking proof for the things we profess and where it is given in a convincing way, they readily accept it. They should be used more in the work of the congregations. Their interest, to some extent, depends upon how far they invest themselves in the Church's work. They should be encouraged not only to attend the meetings of the House of God but should be put to work.

It is significant that three of our young people have offered to labor at their own expense in some home field if shown where to go. It is also significant that they have offered $240 on condition it be used for extension work in the Home Church.

Our young people will be bearing the load tomorrow. "Instead of thy fathers shall be thy children." They are our biggest investment. We should not want them to be old men and women while they are children, and should therefore remember to be patient with them while they become settled into a steady walk with God. They deserve a large place in our prayers while they are finding themselves.

In closing, let me add, Isaiah 54:2-3a has been selected as our office text during the years of responsibility for this department of the work. "Enlarge the place of thy tent and let them stretch forth the curtains of thy habitation; spare not, lengthen thy cords and strengthen thy stakes; for thou shalt

break forth on the right and on the left." Let us claim the promises and meet the obligation of these verses. We cannot expect the fulfillment of the promise, however, unless we meet the obligation. The obligation is to make room for others. "Enlarge the place of thy tent and let them stretch forth the curtains of thy habitation." We are to do this generously for the Holy Spirit says, "Spare not; lengthen thy cords and strengthen thy stakes." The promise is that if we fulfill these obligations we will break forth on the right hand and on the left. God has given us as a Church a work to do, a message to proclaim. We are further admonished, "Fear not, for thou shalt not be ashamed; neither shalt thou be confounded . . . for a moment have I forsaken thee but with great mercies will I gather thee. In a little wrath, I hid my face from thee for a moment; but with everlasting kindness will I have mercy on thee saith the Lord, thy Redeemer. For the mountain shall depart and the hills be removed but my kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall the Covenant of my peace be removed saith the Lord that hath mercy on thee. O thou afflicted, tossed with tempest and not comforted, behold I will lay thy stones with fair colors and lay thy foundations with sapphires and I will make thy windows of agates and thy gates of carbuncles and all thy borders with pleasant stones. And all thy children shall be taught of the Lord; AND GREAT SHALL BE THE PEACE OF THY CHILDREN."

J. D. EDGAR, Secretary.

On motion of D. H. Elliott, Secretary J. D. Edgar was voted a month's vacation each year at his own convenience.

The Committee to publish a new edition of the Psalter, Item 30 of Unfinished Business, reported thru its Chairman, D. B. Martin. The report was adopted and is as follows: (Report not filed.)

The report of the Covenanter Members of the Board of Directors of the National Reform Association was submitted by the President, R. H. Martin. The report together with the financial statement of the Association was referred to the Committee on National Reform.

The report of the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary was read by Robert Park and referred to the Committee on Theological Seminary.

A paper presented by the Board of Home Missions with reference to the licensure of students of theology at the end of their first year in the Seminary was referred to a special committee to be named by the Committee on Nominations.

The report of the Board of Corporators of Geneva College was submitted by the Secretary, A. A. Wylie, and referred to the Committee on Geneva College.

Presbyteries submitted their reports. The reports of Colorado, Philadelphia, and Rochester Presbyteries were adopted without reference. Those of Central Canada, Illinois, Iowa, New York, Pacific Coast and Pittsburgh were approved and referred to the Committee on Supplies. That of Kansas Presbytery was referred to the Committees on Supplies and Discipline. The report of the Presbytery in China was misplaced and could not be found for reading before Synod, but is published herewith.

CENTRAL CANADA

Central Canada Presbytery would respectfully report:

Owing to serious illness in the home of our Moderator we were unable to hold our regular yearly meeting this Spring.

There are three congregations and one Mission Station under our care. Winnipeg has a settled pastor and Delburne a Stated Supply. Lake Reno is being supplied during the summer months by one of the students of theology. Regina became disorganized through the removal of one of its elders who united with another denomination.

Two of our congregations report an increase in membership and both these congregations paid in full their share of Synod's budget.

F. F. Reade is chairman of our Committee on Supplies and also represented our Presbytery on the Mission Conference and the Co-ordinating Committee.

We request the full time of one laborer.

Our Statistical report was duly forwarded and our traveling fund is paid in full.

Respectfully submitted,
F. F. READE, Clerk.

CHINA

The China Presbytery would respectfully report:

We have held one regular meeting and one called meeting during the year.

We have three organized congregations on our roll, the same as last year, with twelve mission stations, an increase of three over last year. One new station, Hoi Kin, was established and eight men baptized in June, 1928. Two other stations that were closed on account of banditry and other troubles have been reopened.

We have the names of four ministers on our roll, two American and two Chinese. The two Chinese ministers and four evangelists are employed by the Council in preaching the word in these different congregations and stations. The two American ministers are employed in evangelistic work.

Four students were graduated from our seminary in January. Two of these men are among the evangelists employed in preaching. The seminary has not been opened this year.

In addition to the above workers we have three unordained men who are supporting themselves and preaching in the districts

where they live. Two of our missionaries, J. A. Kempf and J. C. Mitchel, whose names are still on the roll of the home presbyteries returned to the field in September, 1928, and are engaged in evangelistic work.

During the year Presbytery has dealt with two difficult cases of discipline, one of them of many years' standing, which had both been bringing disgrace to the church. We thank the Lord for the way in which He cleared up both these cases.

We are glad to report that the work has gone on steadily during the year without being hindered by political disturbances. The people are open to the gospel. Between fifteen and twenty thousand portions of God's word have been sold during these twelve months. Missionaries are allowed to penetrate to distant places and are welcomed in a way that they have not been for many years. We praise and thank the Heavenly Father for all His goodness.

Respectfully submitted,
E. C. MITCHELL, English Clerk,
CHAN KONG NGAI, Chinese Clerk,

COLORADO

Colorado Presbytery would respectfully report:

One session of Presbytery was held at Winona Lake last year, during the meeting of Synod. The regular meeting was held in August at Estes Park, Colorado, in connection with the Young People's Conference. There have been no changes in the ministry during the year. The three congregations each have pastors, and are carrying forward their work as usual.

There are two other ministers on our roll. J. B. Gilmore at his own request was transferred to Pittsburgh Presbytery to become pastor of Union congregation. H. B. McMillan continues his work with the American Sunday School Union. A. I. Robb is physically unable for active service.

The Summer Conference at Estes Park was quite successful. The program was of a high order. The lectures of Rev. Roy C. Fullerton were instructive and helpful. The singing under the leadership of Rev. M. Wylie Dougherty was inspiring. The setting, amidst the grandeur and beauty of the Rockies, was stimulating. The social and recreational features most enjoyable. Plans are well matured for a similar Conference this summer in a new location in the mountains above Denver.

M. Wylie Dougherty is our Moderator, J. G. McElhinney is Presbytery's representative on the Mission Conference. M. Wylie Dougherty, the Elder from Denver and a Deacon from Greeley were appointed to attend the meeting of the Co-ordinating Committee. Our quota to Synod's Traveling Fund is full. J. G. McElhinney is Presbytery's financial agent.

Respectfully submitted,
D. C. MATHEWS, Clerk.

ILLINOIS

Illinois Presbytery would respectfully report:

One regular meeting, three meetings at Synod and two meet-

ings of the Interim Commission have been held during the year.

At the regular meeting which was held at Oakdale, Ill., two joint conferences were held with the Women's Presbyterial Missionary Society on the subjects, "Spiritual Growth," and "The Political Situation in The United States, a Challenge to Covenanters."

The Young People's Convention of Illinois Presbytery is to be held at Bloomington, Indiana, sometime in August.

Illinois Presbytery is comprised of six congregations, four of which have settled pastors.

Selma congregation is under the care of The Home Mission Board. The Bloomington and Oakdale congregations are without pastoral oversight, the former made vacant by the resignation of G. M. Robb, who as released Jan. 3, 1929, and the latter by the Master's summons to their pastor, J. M. Wylie, April 29, 1929. Presbytery records with sadness the death of this brother who labored with zeal and tenacity to the very last, having conducted the regular church services the day before his death. During the past year he labored unceasingly in an earnest effort to obtain the passage of a bill requiring the Bible to be read in the public schools of Illinois.

Two of our congregations paid their share of the budget in full. Very encouraging reports are received of the work being done in the Selma congregation under the leadership of J. M. Johnston.

W. J. McBurney was installed pastor of the Princeton congregation, June 21, 1928.

Ray Wilcox of Princeton, Ind., congregation is a student of Theology of the first year, under our care.

The names of seven ministers are recorded on our roll. Three are settled pastors. G. M. Robb is laboring as Stated Supply at Fresno, Cal. J. K. Robb has been filling appointments and a call from the Hetherton congregation is pending his decision.

S. F. Kingston resides at Selma, Ala. G. R. Steele was received by certificate from Kansas Presbytery, May 10, 1929. On the same date, May 10, 1929, the certificate of Jesse C. Mitchell was transferred to the Presbytery of China.

The time of S. F. Kingston and G. R. Steele is at the disposal of Synod.

W. G. Robb is a member of the Board of Corporators of Geneva College.

M. K. Carson is chairman of the Committee of Supplies. Our representative on the Co-orinating Committee was W. J. McBurney.

M. K. Carson was our representative to Mission Conference. We request the time of two laborers.

The days of Public Thanksgiving and Humiliaton and Prayer were observed by the congregations under our care.

Our statistical report was forwarded to the Stated Clerk. Our traveling fund is paid in full.

W. G. ROBB, Clerk.

IOWA

The Iowa Presbytery would respectfully report:

We have held one regular meeting and two meetings of the Interim Commission. There are seven congregations under our care and six ministers, four of whom are pastors. One of our ministers serves two congregations, leaving two without pastors, viz. Sharon and Vernon.

On Feb. 4, 1929, D. B. Martin was released from Sharon congregation and transferred to Pittsburgh Presbytery. W. C. Allen has retired from active work. The time of J. S. McGaw is at the disposal of Synod.

Our Presbytery met in annual session at Chicago on Sept. 24, 1928. One of the leading features of the meeting was the report of the various congregations on the work of the year. Ample time was taken to discuss these reports. As a result of these reports and discussions Presbytery is enabled to know what is being done in her different congregations, and also to give the ministers and elders added enthusiasm for the work of the coming year. During the past year new emphasis has been given to personal work in the various congregations.

H. G. Patterson was appointed as a member of the Board of Corporators to fill the place of D. B. Martin made vacant by the transfer of the latter to Pittsburgh Presbytery. P. J. McDonald is chairman of the committee on supplies. Our representative to the coordinating committee is P. J. McDonald, and to the mission conference, F. E. Allen.

Our traveling fund is paid in full. Our statistical report has been forwarded to Synod's clerk.

Respectfully submitted,
FRANK E. ALLEN, Clerk.

KANSAS

Kansas Presbytery would respectfully report:

Since last Synod we have held one regular meeting and the Interim Commission has held eleven.

Fifteen congregations are under our care, also, the Irving Place Mission which is a part of the Topeka congregation's missionary activities.

The Stafford congregation is without a pastor.

A. J. McFarland was ordained and installed pastor of the Superior and Beulah congregations on Sept. 6, 1928. G. R. Steele was released from the pastorate of the Sterling congregation, March 11, 1929.

Charles Carson was installed pastor of the Sterling congregation, May 30, 1929.

Norman Spear and Waldo Mitchell were taken under the care of our Presbytery as Students of Theology in the Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary, after ascertaining information regarding their qualifications for entrance as prescribed by Synod. Norman Spear, a graduate of K. S. A. C. is the first son of the Eskridge congregation to answer the call to the Gospel Ministry; and Waldo Mitchell is the sixth son of the Winchester congregation to respond to the same call.

The time of J. W. Dill, Isaiah Faris, G. R. McBurney and J. R. Latimer is at the disposal of Synod.

We are asking for the time of one worker.

A. J. McFarland is Home Mission Secretary and chairman of Committee on Supplies.

The observance of the days of humiliation and prayer in our congregations has been quite general. Presbytery plans to give further attention to the maintenance of these days.

Our quota of Synod's traveling fund is paid in full.

A. J. McFarland is our financial agent.

The session of Long Branch congregation requested Kansas Presbytery that the aforesaid congregation be given the name "Blanchard" instead of "Long Branch" in all public prints, reports and records. This is to affect the name only as it shall appear in public use, not the chartered name of the congregation.

This request was granted by Presbytery, subject to the approval of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
PAUL D. WHITE, Clerk.

NEW YORK

New York Presbytery would respectfully report:

During the year there has been one regular and one called meeting of Presbytery and two meetings of the Interim Commission.

Our regular meeting was held in Second New York Church. We have thirteen congregations under our care, three without pastoral oversight. The pastoral relationship in two was dissolved by death, that of Second Boston, Nov. 11, 1928, when the pastor, J. M. Foster, was struck down by an automobile; and that of Cornwallis, when the pastor, Thomas McFall, succumbed to sickness, Jan. 14, 1929.

Eleven ministers are on our roll, one a missionary in China. During the year Frank H. Lathom was ordained and installed pastor of the Walton congregation, July 6, 1928. Newburgh has called Licentiate R. M. C. Ward to be their pastor. Mr. Ward has signified informally his intention to accept the call.

Presbytery asks for the time of one man for preaching for three months.

F. M. Foster is moderator of the Interim Commission and chairman of the Committee on Supplies, and Alvin W. Smith the financial agent. T. M. Slater was appointed delegate to the Mission Conference with F. M. Foster alternate, and J. H. Pritchard delegate to the Co-ordinating Committee.

Our statistical report was forwarded in due time. Our Synodical traveling fund has been paid in full.

Second Boston congregation has been dissolved.

WALTER McCARROLL, Clerk.

OHIO

Ohio Presbytery would respectfully report:

We have held one regular meeting during the year and our Interim Commission has held two called meetings. We have nine congregations on our roll and two mission stations under

our care. Two congregations are vacant—Hetherton and Utica. The Hetherton congregation has a call pending on J. K. Robb. We have ten ministers on our roll. Five are settled pastors. D. B. Russell was transferred to Philadelphia Presbytery, March 26, 1929, to be installed pastor of the Orlando, Fla., congregation.

The total membership of our Presbytery this year is 433. This number is ten less than last year. The Sabbath School enrollment of the Presbytery is 580. There are 86 young people enrolled in the various C. Y. P. U. organizations of the Presbytery.

The total contributions of the Presbytery amounted to $16,509. We paid $3,481 to the Budget, which is 72.5% of our allotment. Five congregations and one mission station paid the budget in full.

Our Young People's Conference this year meets at New Concord. The Presbytery has a Presbyterial Plan of Work for the congregations.

T. C. McKnight is our representative on the Board of Corporators of Geneva College.

W. J. Sanderson is chairman of our Committee on Supplies.

T. C. McKnight and W. J. Sanderson were our delegates to the mission conference.

H. G. Foster, Knox S. McKelvey, and S. E. McKinney were our representatives on the coordinating committee.

The time of R. W. Piper, W. S. Fulton, and R. Hargrave is at the disposal of Synod.

We ask for one-half time of one worker for our vacant congregations.

Our statistical report was forwarded to the Stated Clerk in due time, and our traveling fund is paid in full. J. B. Cannon is Presbytery's financial agent.

Respectfully submitted,
T. C. McKNIGHT, Clerk.

PACIFIC COAST

Pacific Coast Presbytery would respectfully report:

One regular meeting of Presbytery and four meetings of the Interim Commission were held during the year.

Six congregations are under our care. Seattle and Fresno are without pastors. David Calderwood was called to Los Angeles congregation. On accepting the call he was released from Seattle, Jan. 4, 1929, and installed in Los Angeles on the same date.

J. D. Edgar was released from Los Angeles congregation, July 8th, 1928, and certified to Kansas Presbytery on taking up the Secretaryship of Young People's Work and Home Resources at the call of Synod.

G. M. Robb has just arrived on the field at Fresno.

Six ministers are on our roll, four of whom are settled pastors. George Mackay Robb has completed his first year in the seminary.

Samuel Edgar and W. A. Aikin are our delegates to co-ordinating committee and mission conference.

W. A. Aikin is chairman of Committee on Supplies.
We ask for the time of one laborer.
Our Synodical traveling fund is paid in full.

Respectfully submitted,
D. CALDERWOOD, Clerk.

PHILADELPHIA

We are exceedingly grateful to God for the manifold blessings of His grace and mercy to us as a Presbytery this past year.

We have four congregations in our Presbytery all of which have settled pastors. The work in all of these congregations has been carried on this year with earnest endeavor and efficiency. In addition to our regular, ordinary work, the three Philadelphia congregations have taken a very active part in the work of the Jewish Mission.

The Rev. David B. Russell was received into the membership of the Philadelphia Presbytery this past year, and on May 8, 1929, was installed as pastor of the Orlando congregation.

We have on our roll the name of one licentiate, Mr. W. Wilbur Weir, who is at the head of the American Academy, Larnaca, Cyprus. The membership of Mr. J. G. Vos was, during this past year, transferred to the Pittsburgh Presbytery. The membership, also, of Armour J. McFarland was transferred to the Kansas Presbytery.

We have under our care two students of theology, namely: Samuel A. Jackson who has completed his first year in our seminary in Pittsburgh, and James Renwick Jackson who has just completed his second year in the five-year night course of the theological school in Temple University, founded by the late Russell H. Conwell, in Philadelphia. We as a Presbytery recognize the irregularity of having received these two young men as students of theology under our care, when they had not completed the regularly prescribed college work. We are also aware of the necessity of maintaining a high educational standard for the ministry of our church. It was, however, owing to the abilities of these young men as active Christian Workers, and soul winners; and to their sincere determination to obtain theological training in order that they might preach the gospel; and to the further fact that they were already studying in these seminaries, that Presbytery felt warranted in taking them under its care as first year students of theology. Presbytery would appreciate any word of advice which Synod may see fit to offer relative to this action of Presbytery.

F. M. Wilson was appointed presbytery's member of the Co-ordinating Committee; Frank L. Stewart as presbytery's representative in the Home Missions Conference.

Our budget was raised in full and more. Our statistical report was forwarded to Synod's Stated Clerk. D. B. Russell is our financial agent.

Respectfully submitted,
S. E. GREER, Clerk.

PITTSBURGH

Pittsburgh Presbytery would respectfully report that since our last report we have held two regular meetings, one Synod meeting and one special meeting. Our Commission on calls held five meetings.

We now have twenty congregations under our care. At the regular meeting of Presbytery in the Little Beaver church, New Galilee, Pa., Oct. 23, 1928, a petition was received from the Union and North Union congregations, to become respectively the elders and deacons and trustees of the new organization. This request was granted by Presbytery and the union regularly consummated with prayer. The organization will be known as the Union Congregation. Since that time J. B. Gilmore has been installed as their pastor.

Sixteen of the congregations now have settled pastors. Brookland has stated supply. Rehoboth, Wilkinsburg and Youngstown are without pastors.

J. T. Mitchell was released from the pastorate of the Rehoboth congregation, Sept. 11, 1928, to become pastor of the Connellsville congregation. J. B. Willson was, at his own request, released from the pastorate of the Wilkinsburg congregation on April 16, 1929.

J. T. Mitchell was installed pastor of the Connellsville congregation, September 11, 1928.

James Potter was received from the United Presbyterian Presbytery of Frankfort, Beaver County, Pa., and his name added to the roll of Presbytery, Oct. 23, 1928.

J. G. Vos was received from Philadelphia Presbytery as a licentiate and was ordained and installed as pastor of the Miller's Run congregation, March 25, 1929.

D. B. Martin was received from Iowa Presbytery and installed pastor of the First Beaver Falls congregation, Feb. 25, 1929.

J. B. Gilmore was received from Colorado Presbytery and installed pastor of the Union congregation, May 29, 1929.

Upon his own request the name of William M. Doig was removed from Presbytery's roll of ministers, Jan. 15, 1929.

Three of our ministers have been removed by death since our last report. R. C. Reed, June 7, 1928. R. C. Wylie, July 31, 1928. J. C. McFeeters, Dec. 14, 1928.

We now have forty-one ministers on our roll. Sixteen of these are settled pastors, six are engaged in work for Geneva College, one is engaged in work for Wooster College, one in National Reform work, two are professors in the Seminary, two are workers of the Southern Mission, nine are not in active service in the church, three are in other pursuits and one has been on the active supply list.

Paul D. McCracken is our Superintendent of Young People's Work. J. B. Willson is our Home Mission Secretary and Committee on Supplies. D. B. Martin is Moderator of Presbytery and J. C. Slater is Moderator of the Commission on Calls.

D. B. Martin, J. G. Vos were our constituent members on the Home Mission Conference.

R. A. Blair, W. A. Russell, and M. Z. Balph were our representatives on the Co-ordinating Committee.

Our traveling fund is paid in full. Our statistical report was forwarded to Synod's Stated Clerk.

The full time of James Potter, W. J. Coleman, R. H. Martin, is at the disposal of Synod. We ask the full time of one laborer.

Respectfully submitted,
A. A. WYLIE, Clerk.

ROCHESTER

Rochester Presbytery would respectfully report:

We have had one regular and one called meeting during the year.

There are five congregations under our care, one of which has no pastor and takes preaching only during the summer months. Five ministers are within our bounds, four of whom are settled pastors.

Special evangelistic efforts were made according to the suggestion of Synod, with favorable results.

J. M. Rutherford and elder T. J. Bowes and deacon Luther E. Smith were appointed to represent Presbytery on the Co-ordinating Committee. E. G. Russell is our representative at the Mission Conference. T. J. Bowes is Presbytery's financial agent. W. M. McNeel is Chairman of the Committee of Supplies.

Our statistical report was forwarded to Synod's Clerk in due time.

Our traveling fund is paid in full.

By order of Presbytery,
W. M. McNEEL, Clerk.

The report of the Committee on International Relations was read by the Chairman, R. H. Martin, and considered item by item. The report was amended, adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS.

To the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church:

The bringing in of the Kingdom of God is dependent upon the application of the ideals, teachings, and spirit of Christ to the social order. The gospel has to be preached to every creature, to corporations, governments, and nations, as well as to individuals.

The reign of Christ must be world-wide and continent deep. The love and loyalty of Christian disciples cannot be limited by a narrow nationalism or a secular patriotism. International policies, therefore, from the Christian point of view, "Must subordinate economic and financial interests to the welfare of all mankind." National security must not be sought at the expense

of insecurity for others, or by inspiring fear in other nations. Christian principles applied in international relations will mean that our own nation will be as zealous to protect the rights of other nations as it is to protect our own.

Your Committee on International Relations wishes to summarize some of the outstanding achievements of the past year in organizing the world for peace, and to set down some resolutions which will help to mobilize Christian sentiment in behalf of a still further application of Christian ideals.

I.

Noteworthy Achievements

1.—The General Pact for the Renunciation of War.

The terms of this treaty were embodied in the report of the Committee submitted last year. It is not necessary therefore to republish the articles here. This Pact was signed at Paris by the representatives of sixteen nations on August 27, 1928, and ratified by the Senate of the United States, January 14, 1929. This treaty has given to the world a sound basis on which to build the structure of peace. All honor to the men who had the vision, the courage, and the faith, and who were instrumental in writing into the structure of international law this sure and strong foundation for the noble temple of peace that is destined to be built.

We make our own the appraisal of the Administrative Committee of the Federal Council of Churches: "We regard the ratification of this Pact as a major event in the history of the United States and of the world. The pledges of this Pact to condemn and renounce war as an instrument of national policy and to use only the agencies and procedures of peace in seeking solutions of international disputes, constitute a new and powerful bulwark against the menace of war, and carried out in good faith by the nations will prove a turning point in human history."

2.—Two Notable Agreements of the Pan-American Arbitration Conference.

At the Sixth Pan-American Conference held in Havana early in 1928 the American Republics "condemned war as an instrument of policy in their mutual relations." In the Arbitration Conference which was held in Washington from December 10, 1928, to January 5, 1929, two notable agreements were signed.

The first agreement provides for the OBLIGATORY arbitration of legal disputes. Such disputes include questions in regard to the interpretation of treaties, of international law, the existence of any fact which if established would constitute a breach of international law, and the nature and extent of the reparation to be made for the breach of international obligations. The parties to the dispute may select whatever tribunal they may agree upon, which in practice might well be the present international Court of Justice.

The second agreement provides for the settlement of dis-

putes not of a legal nature. Conciliation Commissions are set up clothed with authority to investigate and report. As long ago as 1923 the Gondra Convention was signed which permitted any government interested in a dispute to apply to either one of two diplomatic commissions located in Washington and Montevideo. Either commission had authority to call together representatives of the powers involved in a dispute provided their governments would appoint them. Otherwise, the commission was helpless. The new agreement states that these conciliation commissions are "bound to exercise conciliatory functions either on their own motion when it appears that there is a prospect of disturbance of peaceful relations or at the request of a party to the dispute."

If these agreements are ratified by the Senate it will mark a profound change on the part of the senatorial body towards compulsory arbitration. This is virtually the famous optional clause of the World Court, which has been accepted by sixteen nations. This Washington agreement proposes to make it compulsory for twenty American nations.

These agreements, if ratified will lead to a radical change in our Latin-American policy. Disputes like those with Mexico over oil or with Panama over the interpretation of a treaty are bound to be settled by arbitration. Armed intervention in the internal affairs of a sister republic will be precluded save with the approval of the Conciliation Commission which will represent at least three other American nations. This is a long step forward.

3.—The Tacna-Arica Agreement.

Another noteworthy step towards improved international relationships was the agreement signed on May 17, 1929, between Chile and Peru assisted by the good offices of President Hoover. This settles a boundary dispute of forty-five years standing. At the friendly suggestion of President Hoover the territory in dispute was divided into two parts, Tacna to the north assigned to Peru, and Arica to the south to Chile. The boundary line is carefully delimited and a peace monument is to be erected thereon by the two countries in commemoration of the triumph of sanity in the settlement of international disputes. National security is based not on armaments but on friendship.

4.—The Slavery and Liquor Traffic Conventions.

In February, 1929, the Senate ratified the Slavery and Liquor Traffic Conventions of Geneva, which the European powers had signed in Missions Conference, seems to indicate not only an increasing willingness on the part of the Senate to cooperate with the League of Nations in humanitarian work but also the readiness of the American government to cooperate in legitimate ways with other governments for the welfare of African peoples.

These are a few of the achievments of the past year in organizing the world for peace. Some of the requirements of international justice and goodwill and resolutions thereon will now be noted.

II.

Requirements and Resolutions

1.—As a Synod we welcome the General Pact for the Renunciation of War. To the Department of State we express our appreciation, and pledge support for a drastic reduction of armaments in harmony with the terms and intention of the Pact.

2.—As a Synod we express to the Department of State our gratitude for, and appreciation of the agreements signed by the Pan-American Arbitration Conference, as marking a great advance in setting up the agencies of peace; and, to the Committee on Foreign Relations in the Senate, we express the earnest hope for the early ratification of these agreements.

3.—As a Synod we express to the Senate our gratification at the ratification of the Slavery and Liquor Traffic Conventions, and we urge the ratification of the Convention revising the Act of Berlin.

4.—Inasmuch as the present discriminatory clauses in our immigration law are resented by all intelligent Orientals as humiliating and unchristian, and constitute a serious barrier both to international goodwill and to the progress of the Christian movement in those lands, we hold that in detemining our immigration policy the United States should put the Asiatic nations upon the quota basis.

5.—Since the United States has taken the lead in the renunciation of war as an instrument of national policy and has pledged itself to settle all disputes by pacific means, we urge upon our government to resume negotiations for the entry of the United States into the World Court as an essential agency in the fulfillment of that pledge.

6.—Inasmuch as the war debts are a perennial source of friction and ill-will; and, inasmuch as a large proportion of these loans were made to allies to carry on the war till America was ready, and were unproductive loans, we ask Congress and the administration not to insist upon the policy of "capacity to pay" nor upon the letter of the law, but to modify our demands in the interests of international goodwill and friendship, and in the interest of the toiling masses of Europe.

7.—We recommend to our government the abandonment as an established policy of armed intervention by one power on its own authority for the protection of the lives, property, and interests of its citizens in foreign lands, and the substitution of non-violent measures collectively administered.

8.—We commend to our Sabbath Schools and Young People's Societies the Friendship Treasure Chests project for the Children of the Philippine Islands, sponsored by the World Friendship Among Children Committee.

9.—We recommend that the influence of the members of the church be thrown behind President Hoover in his opposition to a nationalistic trade policy which, using the agencies of the government, to an unprecedented degree for the extension of American trade, would at the same time make protective tariffs prohibitive. Such a policy makes the payment of the debt to the United States not only doubly burdensome, but almost im-

possible. Also it tends to increase the competition for markets that is the most fruitful source of modern war.

10—We deeply regret that the growing international organizations for the purpose of maintaining world peace and securing international justice have not been based on the sovereignty and law of the Lord Jesus Christ whose gracious providence alone can make these organizations permanently effective.

11.—We ask that the expenses of W. J. Sanderson, amounting to $17.00, appointed by this committee as delegate to the Second Study Conference on The Churches and World Peace be paid out of the traveling fund of Synod.

12.—That the Vatican-Italian Accord is a significant event in the sphere of international relations no one would question. We do not at this time venture upon an appraisal of its significance. We can only express our earnest hope that the administration and Congress will maintain the traditional attitude of the non-recognition of the Vatican as a sovereign state among the nations.

Respectfully submitted,
R. H. MARTIN,
WALTER McCARROLL,
JOHN COLEMAN,
SAMUEL R. BOGGS,
E. J. M. DICKSON.

Synod adjourned with prayer by F. D. Frazer.

SATURDAY FORENOON, JUNE 8, 1929.

Synod convened at 9 a. m., was called to order by the Moderator, and constituted with prayer by F. E. Allen. The roll was called. The devotional exercises were conducted by Elder Ellsworth E. Jackson. The minutes of the preceding session were read and approved.

T. C. McKnight was chosen Assistant Clerk pro tem in place of D. B. Martin, who was called home.

The Synodical collection was taken, amounting to $54.36.

The report of the Committee on Signs of the Times was submitted by the Chairman, J. S. Martin. The report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

SIGNS OF THE TIMES.

In response to a communication addressed to the other members of your committee, asking for suggestions as to what should be embodied in this report, one of them replied "There are so many signs of the times that the writer would scarcely know what to emphasize." That, we confess, voiced our own sentiments and evidently those of the other members of the committee as well, since they too by their failure to make any sug-

gestive reply seem to be lost in the maze of present day happenings. And I suspect that about there is where we all are. In any event he would be a bold prognosticator who would undertake to forecast the future with any degree of certainty in view of the multitudinous and varied events that have of late been taking place. Notwithstanding, it is our duty to be students of these events, and to aid each other as best we can to a right understanding and interpretation of them. It is with this thought in mind and with the consciousness that what we shall say is largely a matter of mere individual opinion, as most such reports are, that we record briefly some causes for humiliation, confession and prayer on the one hand, and causes for thanksgiving on the other.

Humiliation, Confession and Prayer.

In connection with the ever present problem of the use of strong drink the following appeal to us as causes for searchings of heart. The continued illicit and in some centers apparently increasing traffic in intoxicating drinks; the persistent and seemingly determined effort of so many of our fellow-citizens, both men and women—not a few of whom are in high and influential positions of various sorts—to have it so; the readiness of so very many of our metropolitan newspapers and even some of our magazines, for filthy lucre's sake for the most part we are persuaded, to give wide publicity and in some instances editorial sanction to wet propaganda; and last, but not least, the readiness of so many both young and old to indulge their appetites not only at the expense of health but also without due regard to the sanctity of law and in many instances, far too many indeed, out of a false conception of what constitutes their personal liberty.

A twin evil of strong drink is that of tobacco. It is said on reliable authority that every time the clock ticks off twenty-four hours of time America spends $6,850,000 for tobacco. Well may we lament the ever-increasing use of the cigarette, particularly among the youth and even more particularly among the female sex of their number. It were enough that the manhood of the country pollute itself with the use of this hurtful weed, but when the potential motherhood of the land becomes infected with the narcotic poison of the cigarette, it augurs anything but well for future generations. Most especially to be noted and lamented at the present time is the widespread, voluminous and reprehensible publicity the cigarette manufacturers are giving their product. Seemingly they would stoop to any depth to clothe its use with respectability and thereby increase its sale.

A third reason for humbling ourselves before God is the continued if not indeed increasing commercialization and pleasurization, if you will, of the Lord's Day. Not fewer than 5,000,000 toil unnecessarily on this day and this number is not even a tithe of those who use the day for worldly pleasure. The truth is that the masses have no due regard for the sanctity of the day. Far too many Christian people abuse and misuse it.

Lovers of gain rather than of God organize to make merchandize of it. And lovers of pleasure more than of their Lord and Master, or even of their own souls, while away its hours in idleness or sinful indulgences. Well may we humble ourselves before God and pray over this.

Nor less to be lamented and prayed over is the indifference, and in many instances the opposition, particularly of those in high governmental and in some instances ecclesiastical positions, to the use of God's Word in our influential system of free public education. Well may we entreat God to stay the hand of the legislator, judge, governor, attorney general, school superintendent, rabbi, Catholic or mistaken Protestant who would rob our youth, and particularly the half and more of them who never darken a church door, of so good a book as the Bible.

Our continued irrational system of marriage and divorce laws with all their train of evils is also a matter for humiliation, confession and prayer. To say nothing of our marriage laws other than they are the very worst in all occidental civilization, the constantly increasing grind of the divorce mill is a significant symptom of unrest, dissatisfaction and unhappiness in family life. And the great disturbing element in connection with it is the steady increase year by year for the past three quarters of a century of the number of divorces granted—mostly unscriptural—over and above the increase in population and especially in the number of marriages performed, until that proportion has now reached one divorce to every six and twenty-five hundredths marriages, as against one to every fifty or more a half century ago. To every thoughtful person it must be plainly manifest that unless some remedy be provided to check this disruption of the family, our future as a people is anything but bright.

The war lords in our own and other countries keep up their hue and cry for more and larger navies and armies, and the sum total of it all is that the nations of the earth—sad to say—maintain a larger fighting force today than at any previous time in the history of the world. Nor will the restoration of the pope's temporal power, whatever else it may or may not do, have any tendency whatever to check this war mania.

The general prevalence—world-wide—of the spirit of lawlessness, until in our own country it has claimed the attention specially of our chief executive, is a matter of concern to every lover of law and liberty.

Furthermore, a great basic evil of all that we have named is the continued and persistent neglect if not indeed refusal of our nation openly to recognize and acknowledge Him who is the rightful Lord and ruler of all nations as its supreme head and to accept His will as the rule of national life and the standard of national conduct in dealing with all its problems internal and external, national and international.

And last, but by no means least, the present-day indications that for the sake of mere outward and formal union the leaders of many of the churches seem to be ready to surrender the great heritages of truth that have come down to them from their Christian forbears. Desirable and all as church union is it were better a thousand times over that the churches remain separate

even as they are forever and forever than that they be united at the sacrifice of conscientious conviction on the part of at least any considerable number of their membership, and particularly such of this number as are recognized forces for righteousness.

For these and other reasons we may well as a body of Christian men and women humble ourselves before God, confess to Him our sins, and entreat His help to right prevailing and disturbing wrongs.

Thanksgiving.

But dark and all as is the picture that we have been painting it is not wholly black. Even the most threatening cloud, to change the figure, has its silver lining. Following the order of the evils already named we have cause for thanksgiving.

1. That our suffering from bootlegging, smuggling and surreptitious habits of drinking with all that defend them are naught but the growing pains of the prohibition movement. True they are numerous and at times severe, but after all they are little more than might have been expected. The drink habit is doomed. It is incompatible with the conditions of present-day life. Altogether independent of the organized Christian, moral and industrial forces and the influence of the chief executive of the land that make against it, 20,000,000 automotive vehicles on the public highways in our country constitute 20,000,000 unanswerable arguments against the use of alcoholic beverages. Moreover, the only alternative that the most energetic opponents to prohibition offer is the profoundly absurd and outworn one of setting up the States themselves in the liquor business. And as America goes in the liquor traffic, so ultimately other nations will go, indeed are in not a few instances beginning to go.

2. While the impetus given the tobacco habit during the late war, enhanced by the well meaning but exceedingly short-sighted public, has it would seem not yet been checked, the forces that are arming against it, such as an ever-increasing number of the teachers in our public schools, influential bands of physicians, church courts that forbid its use on the part of their ministry, editors of leading magazines who are opening their columns to its condemnation, and editors of the religious press who inveigh against it with increasing vigor—together with the Christian and moral reform forces that constantly battle against it—give promise of a better day.

3. For the most part the legal safeguards of the Lord's Day are held intact, notwithstanding the repeated assaults made upon them. Particularly is it true that the judges in our courts, as a rule, stand by the institution of the Sabbath. And so long as we can maintain our Sabbath laws and have the judiciary of the country interpret them in the light of past history we have reason to hope that our efforts in behalf of this day and all for which it stands will by no means be without avail.

4. As for the use of the Book of books in our system of public instruction, it is a matter for thanksgiving that from year to year the number of states are increasing that require its use, that in those where it is not actually required yet permitted its use is increasing, as recent questionnaires on the subject have

demonstrated, and that this use is not only the reading of it but also in many cases the actual study of it and in some even the giving of school credits for such study. All this, notwithstanding the indifference and sometimes indeed open opposition of civil, educational and ecclesiastical officers, would seem to indicate a growing demand on the part of the general public for the use of this Book in the one and only institution of the land that has under its direct and immediate influence the vast majority of American youth.

5. The one hopeful factor in connection with American home life is the fact that the evils that are increasingly breaking it up are to be found chiefly among that 45% of the population outside of organized religion. Fifty per cent of all divorces, which as we have said are but symptoms of family troubles, are in that class. For a full century and a quarter Christians have been steadily increasing in number faster than the population. And if this increase be maintained, as the indications are that it will, surely there will come a time when a slow but steady change will take place in the trend of present-day family life. For that day we may hopefully pray and labor.

6. The character of the commission recently appointed by the chief executive of the country, coupled with his pronounced and repeated utterances to the effect that one of the chief purposes of his administration is to check the spirit of lawlessness abroad in the land, cannot but evoke a spirit of thanksgiving in the heart of every law-abiding citizen.

7. As over against the war propaganda afore mentioned, we have had within the past year the all but universal acceptance of the Kellogg peace pact. The signing generally of this multilateral treaty relegating war to the limbo of discarded remedies of disputes between nations is a significant revelation of the growth of goodwill and confidence among the people of the earth—a new and lively sense of interest in the things that lead away from war. Education, public health, motion pictures, aviation, the radio, travel for pleasure and business, good roads and automobiles, the exploration of polar regions by scientific groups, the study of ancient civilizations by archaeologists—all these and many other things of their kind form new bonds of common interest.

The truth is that international consciousness is gradually rising into an international conscience. Mankind is fast coming to be viewed as a family. Patriotism is no longer the exaltation of national life to the disadvantage and humiliation of national neighbors. Thinking men, particularly among the youth, are fast coming to give their larger loyalty to mankind and their lesser to their own nation. In fact the numerical majority of people the world over seem to have come to the place where they not only oppose war—the settlement of disputes by force and international guile—but espouse peace and peaceful ways, such as arbitration, conciliation and the spirit of brotherhood.

8. The fact that the Supreme Court of the land has declared that this is a Christian nation and that there is an increasing number of people—Christian people—in many sections of our country who make no opposition as of old to the establish-

ment of Christian government, who indeed seem to realize that in the last analysis we must have Christian government if the Church is ever to have anything like a fair chance to accomplish her mission in the world, is a tremendous national if not indeed world gain in prospect, and calls for devout thanksgiving.

9. Finally, the Church of the living God, the great inspirational leader of every good movement in the world, is constantly increasing in membership and influence, and that too over and above the increase in population. Moreover, her activities in the way of kingdom building are rapidly multiplying, the number of devout and self-sacrificing souls in her membership are constantly on the increase, and last, but not least, the spirit of Christian co-operation on the part of all the churches is more and more manifest.

Conclusion.

In view of the above and much other of its kind that might be said did space permit, we recommend—

1. That the last Thursday of November next—our National Thanksgiving—be appropriately observed by our people as a day of Thanksgiving not only in their homes but also in their respective places of public worship.

2. That as congregations we observe the Week of Prayer and that on the Thursday of this week we call the attention of the people to the many existing causes for humiliation, confession and earnest and persevering prayer on their part.

Signed,
JAMES .S. MARTIN,
W. T. K. THOMPSON,
E. M. ELSEY,
R. J. BOLE,
B. C. TERRY.

The report of the Committee on Psalmody was submitted by R. W. Redpath, considered item by item, adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PSALMODY

The exclusive use, indeed, the inclusive use of the Psalms of the Bible for praise was never at a lower ebb than today. Not a tithe of the tithe of present-day Christendom ever hymn them into the Eternal Ear. Once, the most eminent of our church historians attest, that all-hearing ear heard nothing else.

But, if the ocean of appointed and heaven-kindled praise be at its lowest tide, never was there a day, perhaps, when the outstanding leaders of Christendom were readier to throw their esteem and praises towards the Psalms as to their inherent worth.

Here are just a few gleanings of such esteem that came our way this past year. Bishop Francis J. McConnell, President of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, "The Psalms are built on the human heart. As the church of Christ

comes into ultimate things it will be more mindful of these keys that play best the soul's deepest music." The late F. B. Meyer, "The new testament rises out of the Psalms." Daniel A. Poling, editor of the Christian Herald, "Israel came singing on its way and has set the world to singing. All of us," he adds, "Must acknowledge that Israel had a peculiar capacity for religion, a deep sensitiveness to the things and thoughts of God such as characterized no other race. It is then significant for our religious life that Israel, distrusting other arts, gave its soul so fully to the art of song."

The late J. H. Jowett, "The Psalms are the handbook of the Soul. They reveal the essential man." John A Hutton, editor of the British Weekly, "The Psalms are a seismograph of the Historic soul of man. They record as nowhere else the tremors of the human heart." Pages of such deep insight into the intrinsic worth of the Psalms could thus be easily gathered together.

Yet it stands in the day of their esteemed worth they are but a little used manual of praise.

Now it is not our purpose to probe this striking situation. It is ours rather to know that it is true, and to be warned by it that even in those places such as our beloved Zion where the Psalms are so highly prized there may be the very forces at work which have elsewhere shunted them aside. In the very moment when logic has the throne, when argument seems the strongest, when insight is the deepest, when conviction is the sincerest, let us take heed lest that, which is in our grip, shrivels up and we be found emptyhanded. Indeed the Psalms have most often been bowed out when theirs was the unusual obeisance. Remember! Argument was never stronger, praise was never higher, obeisance was never greater than in those days when the United Presbyterian Church produced "The Psalms in Worship." Yet how short the years until that was gone which seemed to be most tightly grasped. So was it in those days when first the Psalms were bowed out in Reformation Times and in the days of the second great exit of Wesley's revival.

How then to keep that which we seem to have becomes the paramount question. How best to hold what argument will not guarantee has pressed itself upon us as the Psalmody issue of our church. Our answer, necessarily of a practical nature, would center itself around these three short, yet sturdy, words: "set," "stow," "sing."

"SET"

In using the word "set" with respect to the Psalms we use it in that sense of the word when we speak of a background, a setting. The "set," the background, is everything to each psalm, yet how slurred all this much of the time as the psalm is used. And this especially when only a part of the psalm is sung in praise. Our fathers sensed this in their bringing the explanation of the Psalm into the worship service. But often times instead of stopping with the mere presentation of the key to the psalm they buried the hearer with so much of the contents that in reality the whole psalm became slurred. The whole was

lost in the dissection. The parts became over-emphasized. "Search the Psalms," says Hutton, "and you will find that the most of them begin with a conclusion. Often it is of a very explosive nature. Both", he adds, "is quite natural. A man generally writes first of what he thought last and the heat of the passion will thus be there." Now take this discerning note, give it in lieu of a long explanation, and let the congregation either in song or responsive reading of the poetical version follow the psalmist into the way he traveled ere the conclusion was reached and that psalm will always be meaningful for them. Again, after careful study of the psalms, come to a conclusion about each as a whole, hold to that until further study compel a change, and in a few words always be ready to give that psalm's "set" as it is announced in whole or in part for praise. The psalms are living today for not a few because the late George A. Edgar made this his practice. Finally carry the psalms through to their Christ message and intent. Here is where they seem so meaningless to many, and here is where their "set" becomes most enriching. We could wish that there was an edition of the psalms with a foreword of not over fifty words for each psalm along the above lines. In attractive print along with the American Revision Translation of the psalms it would do much to stimulate new and lasting meaning into them.

"STOW"

Study, saturate, commit, would be words throwing light upon what we have in mind under the short word "stow." Hutton tells us how when his late mother was eighty-seven years old her pastor called and she carried out her birth anniversary custom of repeating the Psalms from Raus' version corresponding to her age. When through, without a mistake, she was jokingly asked by her pastor what about it when you become one hundred and nineteen? Quickly for answer she gave said psalm without hesitation. There was a tear in Hutton's eye when he told the above in our hearing at Northfield two years ago. And as he himself in turn repeated both those psalms unhesitatingly and most understandingly nothing ever electrified old Northfield more! Little wonder with the psalms thus stowed away in memory as you pick up his trenchant utterances on modern literature and religious perplexities you find him guided out by them to the heavenly places of light and truth. Two recent such examples from his writings suffice. In his essays of Francis Thompson in Matters of Faith he writes, "The best preparation for the easy and intelligent reading of 'The Hound of Heaven' is to take a walk up and down one of the great Psalms: the 139th for example; or the 32nd." And ours is now the loss that time forbids taking that walk again with him. "SELAH," he elsewhere exclaims: "I used to make merry over this word. For in my callow days I knew that in a sense it is not a word at all, but only a musical direction or something of the kind. But now I know that it is one of the great words of Holy Scripture. For 'Selah' means, so to speak, 'Look here, we have had enough of that.' It means also, 'Thanks be to God there is

something more to be said about life and about the soul.' 'Selah' is what Browning means when he makes Pompilia speak about the darkness deepening and deepening until everything is so dark that she is sure a star is just about to be born." Again what a reserve Jesus had on the Cross with the twenty-second psalm completely stored in his heart! Though he cried out only its opening lines his soul went on to the strength of its victory verses! Babbling about a shepherd and a brook and green pastures Shakespeare has Falstaff going out unafraid as thousands of others who learned the twenty-third psalm at a mother's knee. Change of poetical version, neglect of memory drill, saturation with worldly things have about crowded the psalms out of our minds today. But we do not know where you get more of life and God than in the stowing away of the psalms. And with our practical version again established, and with the selections breaking up the psalms into meaningful portions, memory work should be pushed in every quarter. Here again we feel that a responsive reading of the poetical version should be more largely in our worship. Careful reading even stores.

"SING"

Here finally in proportion as this little word enters into the psalm situation of our church do we really have assurance of their keeping. The new psalter, the missionating of Robert A. M. Steele and other song leaders throughout our congregations, the modern trend towards more of community and choral singing, have all brought the singing of the psalms within our church at large to a level higher than it has ever been, so, many who know, attest. Yet where is the congregation in our midst whose singing is so outstanding that it is the talk of the community and a drawing power to outsiders? It could be just that! It should be that! But we have trifled with our potentialities! The whole song part of our worship has been largely a "hit and miss" affair. No gripping hand has turned it to definite goals. Nearly half of each Sabbath's worship period centers around this very thing, yet what congregation has one definitely engaged to bring all its members to its praise service through training and inspiring leadership. Our schools pay out great sums to tie the boys and girls to them through singing; have we thrown out the same singing lines in our congregations? Chanting, anthems that hold closely to the psalms in prose, Junior and Young People's choirs, are all fields as yet unplowed which could be extremely productive. The small Westminster church of Dayton, Ohio, built itself into power and fame along just these lines. They stopped the instrumentation and special singing and unstopped the song of the congregation through special training until today they have an influence that is becoming world-wide. Walter Damrosch than whom there is none better at the organ or before the orchestra holds that the ultimate in church music must come along the Westminster church way. "The singing of the parishioners themselves," that to use his words, "is the foundation of church music." Ours it could be, if we will, to stand in the forefront

of this present day church music movement. Zion calls mightily for an Asaph to lead our praise-giving powers back to God! Pray that He may be found. Pray that Synod may command His strength!

We recommend:

1. That pastors study to keep the psalms meaningful to their congregations.
2. That pastors acquaint their congregations with the present metrical version through responsive or concerted reading.
3. That sessions, Sabbath school superintendents, teachers and parents stress the committing of the present metrical version.
4. That congregations, Presbyteries, and Synod undertake more definite leadership as to training for the singing of the psalms.

Respectfully submitted,
R. W. REDPATH, Chairman,
PAUL D. McCRACKEN,
ROBERT BLAIR,
R. A. M. STEELE,
J. B. FORSYTHE.

Synod adjourned with prayer by T. C. McKnight.

MONDAY FORENOON, JUNE 10, 1929.

Synod convened according to adjournment and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator. The roll was called. The devotional service was conducted by Elder B. M. Ferguson of Iowa Presbytery. The minutes of the Saturday morning session were read and approved.

It was announced that the offering at the Sabbath morning service amounted to $85.12, making a total with the Synodical collection on Saturday of $139.48. After payment of the Synod expenses, the balance was to be used to purchase Psalters for use in the college chapel.

The order of the day, the report on the Christian Attitude Toward War, was resubmitted. It was adopted as a whole by a unanimous rising vote. Synod was led in a prayer of thanksgiving for the progress of world peace by J. M. Coleman. The report follows:

CHRISTIAN ATTITUDE TOWARD WAR.

1. That it is one of the chief functions of the Church as God's prophet to the nations to teach them their obligation to submit to Jesus Christ as the reigning King, and to regulate all their national and international relations by His moral law.
2. We praise God and rejoice in that the governments of the world have condemned war and renounced it as an instru-

ment of national policy; and, as a Church we will withhold support from our government if ever it should resort to war in violation of it's own treaty.

Respectfully submitted,
R. C. WYLIE,
S. E. GREER,
J. M. COLEMAN,
WALTER McCARROLL,
W. J. SANDERSON.

The report of the Committee on the Theological Seminary was submitted by R. C. Fullerton, and considered item by item. An item offered by John Coleman providing a registrar's record of work done by the students in the Seminary was adopted. Item 7 was laid on the table to entertain a substitute offered by E. A. Crooks. Pending discussion of this item the hour arrived for hearing the representative of the American Bible Society. Dr. J. L. McLaughlan addressed the court on behalf of the Society, and the Moderator suitably replied.

Synod took recess, Elder A. P. Donahue leading in prayer.

MONDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 10, 1929.

Synod reconvened, was called to order by the Moderator, and led in prayer by Elder John L. Patterson. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Item 29 of the report on Unfinished Business, the report of the Committee to Arrange a Uniform System of Handling Congregational Finances, was submitted by J. W. Anderson, and taken up item by item. The report was amended, adopted as a whole, and is as follows:

COMMITTEE ON CHURCH FINANCE.

Your Committee appointed by the Synod of 1928, "to arrange a uniform system for handling congregational finances," would respectfully report the following recommendations:

1. That all financial boards appoint a counting committee, consisting of at least two members of the board, or of the congregation, other than the treasurer, whose duty it shall be to count all monies coming into the hands of the financial officers, through offerings, collections, or any other manner whatsoever.

2. That this counting committee make a record in duplicate, of the name of the contributor, the amount contributed, and

the purpose for which it is given; one copy of which is to be given, with the money to the treasurer, the other to the chairman of the financial board.

3. Synod suggests that all financial boards post, semi-annually, in a public place in the Church, a roll of all members of the congregation, by name or number, and the total amount each contributed. (The name or number of every member to appear on this roll, whether such member has made any contributon or not.)

4. That sessions, in making their annual statistical reports to Presbyteries, state whether these regulations have been complied with.

5. That no supplement or loan be granted any congregation that does not comply with this financial plan.

6. That Synod strongly urge all congregations to adopt this system for handling congregational finances.

J. W. ANDERSON,
ROBT. M. YOUNG,
ROBERT A. M. STEELE,
Committee.

The Secretary of Home Resources was instructed to furnish copies of the above report to the financial boards of all the congregations in the church.

Dr. Bowlby addressed the Synod on behalf of the Lord's Day Alliance, proposing the following resolutions which were adopted:

RESOLUTIONS ON LORD'S DAY ALLIANCE

WHEREAS the attacks upon the Christian Sabbath have never been more persistently vigorous and the need of organized efforts successfully to meet attacks has never been so imperative, therefore be it

RESOLVED that we highly commend the Lord's Day Alliance of the United States, a child of the Church, and its official representative in this important work, and rejoice with it in the large measure of success that has attended its activities throughout the nation.

RESOLVED that we reappoint for membership in the Board of Managers of the Alliance Mr. Samuel R. Boggs of Philadelphia, and Rev. Walter McCarroll, New York City, and we call upon our churches and people to give both moral and financial support to the Alliance and its auxiliary societies.

RESOLVED further that we call upon pastors to preach frequently on the subject of the Sabbath and the present day issues involved, and to present the cause to their Sabbath Schools and young people's societies.

RESOLVED that we heartily commend the movement for the early enactment of the Lankford Sunday Rest Bill for the District of Columbia, or a similar bill, and again call upon our

people to use their influence toward bringing about the enactment of the bill at the earliest possible time.

RESOLVED that we commend President Hoover on his faithful observance of the Sabbath and earnestly hope that he will use his great influence for the attainment of better Sabbath observance in the District of Columbia and throughout the nation.

Synod resumed consideration of the report of the Committee on Theological Seminary. The report was amended, adopted and is as follows:

COMMITTEE ON THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY REPORT

Your Committee on Theological Seminary would respectfully report:

As the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian church we recognize God's hand over our Seminary for good. We rejoice that God heard and answered the prayers of the church for students by sending a class of six beginners the past year. We rejoice over the prospects for the coming year and thank God for His goodness.

We note with pleasure the presence of two post graduate students the past year.

We commend the work of the Secretary of Home Resources and all others who have been instrumental in directing the minds of the young men of the church toward the Seminary and urge that this work continue.

We record our appreciation of the work of Dr. R. C. Wylie during his long period of service in the Seminary and mourn the loss of this eminent professor.

We record our appreciation of the services of Dr. W. J. Coleman as professor in the Seminary during the past year.

One paper has been put in our hands for consideration. This contained several items for action.

We recommend:

1. That W. J. Coleman, M. M. Pearce, and E. L. McKnight be elected their own successors to the Board of Superintendents and that John R. Steele be elected as the successor of T. S. Trumbull.

2. That parents, pastors and others in positions of influence be urged to advise prospective students for the Seminary to pursue a classical college course including Greek.

3. That all students seeking admission to the Seminary shall present a copy of their college record to the Presbytery for consideration. In case the educational requirements are fully met the Presbytery shall recommend their admission. In case these requirements are not fully met, Presbytery may, if it deems it wise, admit such students for one year only. At the end of the first year the Seminary Board shall advise Presbytery regarding the future course of such students.

4. The Secretary of the Seminary Board shall keep a regis-

trar's record of the students, their courses, the length of the courses, the hours per week, and the grades of each.

5. That Synod authorize the Seminary Board to secure a charter of incorporation for the Seminary.

6. There shall be a season of silent prayer followed by prayers offered by T. D. Russell, J. R. W. Stevenson, and F. M. Foster in which the guidance of the Spirit shall be sought in the selection of a professor for the Seminary.

7. That the chair in the Seminary now vacant be filled by the election of four men for a term of three years, each to teach part time; one to teach Systematic Theology and Reformed Presbyterian apologetics; another to teach Homiletics; another to teach Church History; and the other to teach Pastoral Theology: and that the salary be prorated according to the hours taught.

8. That nominations be made from the floor and that each professor be elected separately.

R. C. FULLERTON,
E. G. RUSSELL,
J. G. McELHINNEY,
A. W. SMITH,
R. C. REDPATH.

In accordance with item 6 of the report, Synod engaged in a season of silent prayer, followed with prayers by T. D. Russell, J. R. W. Stevenson and F. M. Foster, after which Synod proceded with the election of the men to fill the places designated.

Prof. John Coleman was nominated for the work in Systematic Theology and Reformed Presbyterian Apologetics. The nominations were closed and Prof. Coleman elected by a unanimous rising vote.

Prof J. Boyd Tweed was nominated and unanimously elected by rising vote to the chair of Homiletics.

J. G. Vos and Prof. Robert Park were nominated to teach Church History. The vote was taken by ballot, resulting in the choice of Prof. Park. His election was made unanimous by a rising vote.

W. J. Coleman was unanimously elected by rising vote to be the Professor of Pastoral Theology.

The Committee on Theological Seminary was instructed to wait on the Professors elect as to their acceptance of the positions to which chosen.

It was directed that the annual opening lecture of the Seminary should be given by these Professors in turn in the order in which chosen.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENTS OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

The Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary respectfully report:

The Board has held two meetings during the past year, one a special meeting held in July, 1928, and the other the regular annual meeting of the Board on May 7, 1929. The special meeting of the Board was called to consider the selection of one to take over the work of R. C. Wylie, deceased. By unanimous decision of the Board W. J. Coleman was elected for the ensuing year. As the selection of a permanent professor according to the constitution of the Seminary is the work of the Synod, it devolves upon this Synod to elect a professor to teach Systematic Theology, Pastoral Theology, Church History, Homiletics and Reformed Presbyterian Apologetics.

The Seminary began Sept. 19, 1928. The opening lecture was given by W. J. Coleman on the subject, "The Ideal Church." Eight students were enrolled, two doing graduate work, six were first year students.

J. G. Vos, a graduate of Princeton Seminary, a member of Third Philadelphia congregation, a licentiate of and under care of Philadelphia Presbytery, was one of the two graduate students. Mr. Vos has been called and installed pastor of Miller's Run Congregation, and is a member of this Synod. The other graduate student was W. R. McEwen, an ordained minister of the Reformed Presbyterian Synod of Ireland under appointment to the colonial mission in Australia. Mr. McEwen is present at this Synod.

J. A. Bubbett, Samuel A. Jackson, G. Mackay Robb, Waldo Mitchell, Norman Spear and Ray Wilcox were the first year students. Mr. Bubbett is a member of Central Pittsburgh congregation and is under the care of Pittsburgh Presbytery. Samuel Jackson is a member of First Philadelphia congregation and is under the care of Philadelphia Presbytery. G. Mac Robb is a member of Los Angeles congregation, is a graduate of the University of California, Southern Branch, and is under the care of Pacific Coast Presbytery. Norman Spear is a member of Eskridge Congregation, is a graduate of Kansas State Agricultural College and is under the care of Kansas Presbytery. Waldo Mitchell and Ray Wilcox are graduates of Geneva College. Mr. Mitchell is a member of Winchester Congregation and is under the care of Kansas Presbytery. Mr. Wilcox is a member of Princeton congregation and is under the care of Illinois Presbytery. The church should be truly grateful for the presence of these students in the Seminary. They give promise of becoming effective preachers. The Head of the Church is hearing the prayers of His people.

At the regular meeting of the Board, May 7, 1929, F. M. Foster was chosen chairman, E. L. McKnight, vice-chairman, and Robert Park secretary.

The Treasurer's report shows the following balances:

Memorial Building Fund	$198.66
Library Fund	307.97
Current Account Overdrawn	567.83

W. J. Coleman was appointed to represent the Board before the Coordinating Committee and was instructed to request an appropriation of $4,000; $3,500 for current expense and $500 for library fund. The term for which W. J. Coleman, M. M. Pearce, E. L. McKnight and T. S. Trumbull were appointed expires this year and their successors should be chosen. In as much as T. S. Trumbull has not been able to attend the meetings of the Board and, due to his position, probably cannot, the Board recommends the election of J. R. Steele as his successor.

In view of the fact that some students have come to the Seminary without any preparation in Greek, the Board passed the following recommendations:

First: We recommend, that pastors, parents, and others having influence, be urged to advise prospective students for the Seminary to pursue a classical course including Greek.

Second: That Synod advise Presbyteries that students seeking entrance to the Seminary, who have not the educational or other stipulated entrance requirements, may be admitted under the care of Presbytery, but with great caution, for a period of one year. At the close of that period the Seminary Board, after advice of the professors, shall reach an opinion as to whether such student should continue, and in case the Board is of the opinion that he should not continue it may advise the student to withdraw voluntarily or make recommendation to his presbytery as to the proper course to be followed.

The Board further requests that Synod authorize the Seminary Board to secure a charter of incorporation for the Seminary.

The Board recommends that the election of a professor for the Seminary be held Monday morning following the report of the Committee on Seminary.

Respectfully submitted,
F. M. FOSTER, Chairman,
ROBERT PARK, Secretary.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Sabbath Schools was read by J. G. McElhinney, adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SABBATH SCHOOLS

Our church has always recognized the value of the Sabbath School as an agency for the instruction of our members in the truth of the Bible and as a training school for workers in the various departments of the church.

We have not, however, appreciated the value of the Sabbath

School as a missionary agency. If we are to have an increase in the membership of our church the greatest hope lies in our Sabbath Schools. In this department of the church's work lies our greatest opportunity. Evangelistic vision should be one of the chief qualifications of all the teachers of the intermediate department.

Your committee carried out the instructions of the Synod and cooperated with the Rev. A. W. Smith who writes the comments on the Sabbath school lessons for the Covenanter Witness, in the selection of lessons as substitutes for the Christmas and Easter lessons.

Also, according to Synod's instructions a new edition of 3000 copies of the Supplemental Graded Lessons has been issued. There is now an adequate supply of these lessons available and we hope they will be used by all the Sabbath schools in the church.

A number of ministers of the church have been requested to write articles on various aspects of Sabbath school work, to appear from time to time in the Covenantor Witness.
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J. G. McELHINNEY,
D. C. MATHEWS.

F. F. Reade submitted the report on Bible Readers, which was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

BIBLE READING REPORT

To the Synod of the Covenanter Church:

Dear Fathers and Brethren:—Your Committee on Bible Reading herewith submit their report:

We ordered printed last year 3000 Daily Readers and 4000 of the New Readers recommended in our report to Synod a year ago. Practically all of the Daily Readers, and 1367 of the New Style Readers were sold. 250 Readers went to Ireland and about 30 to the Levant.

Twenty-four persons qualified for certificates and these will be issued as soon as the signatures of Synod's Moderator and Clerk are affixed thereto.

Our statement of receipts and expenditures is as follows:

Received from sale of 2879 Daily and Yearly Readers		$64.52
Printing for above	$46.35	
Multigraphing	2.37	
Wrapping and mailing	8.75	
		57.47
Balance		7.05
Received from Literary Fund for New Style Readers		$61.60
Received from sale of 1367 New Style Readers		29.56
Total Receipts for New Style Readers		$91.16

Printing for above	$61.80	
Multigraphing	1.13	
Wrapping and mailing	4.16	
		67.09
Balance		$24.07
Total Balance on hand		$31.12

New Style Readers on hand, 2633.

When your committee settled down to the work of preparing the New Style Readers ordered by last Synod it soon became evident that if these were to be arranged for older people, as well as for children, much more material than just Bible Stories would have to be included, only the genealogical tables and matter that was merely technical in nature being omitted. This was also the consensus of opinion expressed by several of the ministry with whom the chairman of the committee conferred. In consequence, when the Reader was prepared the Old Testament readings proved too long for children. Realizing the value, to untrained minds, of a connected view of Scripture history, we made an entirely new departure by employing the chronological method in arranging the material. And so, while the children failed to get their Bible Story Reader, other folks received something that they had apparently been wanting, since over 1300 copies were ordered—a remarkable record when compared with first year sales of the Old Style Yearly Reader. We still think a Reader ought to be prepared for the children; one which will contain Bible Stories only, and whose passages will not be much longer than the short passages in the present Daily Reader. A recommendation to this effect forms part of our report.

It is worthy of note that sales increased by more than 300 over last year, and this, despite the fact that Ireland ordered 150 less than a year ago.

We take this opportunity to thank pastors, Sabbath school superintendents and others, for the help received in commending these reading courses to their congregations, Sabbath Schools and Young People's Societies.

We recommend:

I. That a Reader be prepared this year for the use of children, which shall contain Bible stories only.

II. That the pastors and superintendents in congregations whose Sabbath Schools are not using the Readers, be especially urged to push the matter of regular Bible Reading in their schools and Young People's Societies.

F. F. READE, Chairman,
H. G. PATTERSON,
RICHARD McALLISTER.

F. M. Wilson submitted the report on Near East Relief, Item 15 of Unfinished Business. The report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON NEAR EAST RELIEF

This report of your Committee on Near East Relief has special significance because Near East Relief is facing the end of its task. On June 30th campaigning will cease, although the work must go on overseas for two more years.

Your Committee would record its firm conviction that but few elements of the Christian work of our Church during the past year and during the preceding decade have been more rewarding than that which we have helped to do through Near East Relief; that the money we have spent has been well used; that the record made in the sight of Christians and non-Christians alike has been most effective. Near East Relief has increased the missionary interest of all churches in a way to make us glad that we were sharing in such an effort, which successfully transcends racial and national barriers. It has joined our hands with those of many brothers in doing the will of the Master of us all.

We acknowledge with deep appreciation the way in which this great task has been carried forward, and we may well unite in pledging our loyal support to help finish the program in which we share.

Now that we approach the end of Near East's ministry of material and spiritual help, we may well recall the stupendous tasks that have been performed. Let a quoted summary indicate to us the successes of these efforts.

Results.

"We have not only saved lives, but we have built life. Diseased children have been made well, and gone out from our shelter to spread a new gospel of cleanliness and health. A definite program of religious education and character-building has resulted in new ideas of integrity, trustworthiness, and industry; ideals which the children are carrying from the orphanages into their new homes in cities and villages. Standards of work are improving. Artisans, farmers, nurses, workers of all sorts, still in their teens, fit themselves into normal economic life, and press ahead with ambition, vision and trained ability. A frontal attack is in progress on racial and religious intolerance and hatred, as children who have learned to sing "Faith of our Fathers, we will love both friend and foe," prove themselves good neighbors wherever they settle. And much of what American help has accomplished has been possible because the children are striving to be worthy of the faith for which their parents died, and to prove their gratitude for our gift of life a gratitude that can only be expressed in lives well lived.

That is the accomplishment, hardly more than begun, the seed that will grow throughout the coming years. Now the immediate task is to finish our share of it. On January 4th members of Near East Relief's Advisory Committee met with the Trustees, and voted their approval of the raising of a final $2,000,000 by June 30th. This amount is the minimum budget that will give essential care to every boy and girl for whom Near East Relief is still responsible."

Your committee prepared and sent out to all our pastors or churches a letter appealing for this contribution to Near East Relief. We ask for generous offerings this year and pledges to be paid next. Churches, Sabbath Schools and individuals could well make these pledges for next year, and thus strengthen the hands and assure the hearts of those whose duty it is to carry to completion the tasks that will remain for two or three years yet to come.

After June 30th pledges will be collected, and the balance of the overseas program carried to completion. But in the meantime we face the fact that only a few weeks remain for appeals to be made. We trust that a gift for this year, and a pledge for 1930 may be made by every contributor, church, and Sabbath School.

Your Committee makes two recommendations:

1. That the advisory committee be continued to cooperate with Near East Relief in the collection of its pledges made during the campaign, which closes June 30th, and in the completion of its administrative work overseas.

2. That our people make an extra effort before June 30th to share fully in bringing this remarkable piece of Christian service to victory so the children shall not suffer through our neglect, and so that in this as in our other forms of service we shall merit the Master's "Well Done!"

Respectfully submitted,
FINDLEY M. WILSON, Chairman,
WALTER McCARROLL,
SAM'L R. BOGGS,
EVAN W. JONES.

The report of the Committee on Geneva College was read by Paul Coleman and taken up item by item. T. M. Slater spoke on behalf of the College. The report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GENEVA COLLEGE

Your committee has read with interest the reports of the Geneva Board of Trustees and of the Board of Corporators. The quality of the education being given in Geneva, the unity of the faculty, the growing friendliness of the Valley are all causes for special thanksgiving.

Several matters call for special notice.

1. We have entrusted to the President and Faculty of Geneva an important and difficult task in the maintenance of a high standard of discipline in a somewhat lawless age. To have preserved the good will of the student body without compromise of the college regulations is a great annual achievement. The whole church will appreciate the loyalty of President Pearce and his associates. We would remind the parents and pastors of the Covenanter students coming to Geneva of their responsibility that these students should be leaders in loyalty

to their church and college standards. Covenanter young men and women are under double obligation to support the ideals of Geneva. We are glad that the most of them do so; we appeal to them all to cooperate.

2. The associations of colleges are constantly raising the requirements for accredited schools. They demand certain material equipment, high educational degrees in the faculty, only so many students in a class, etc. The effort to meet these requirements would be a hopeless race for Geneva were it not for the growing support from the Valley, alumni, and those persons of means who will invest in such a school as ours. With steadily growing assets, already large in proportion to liabilities, with steady, if slow, reductions in the debt we are still hopeful that the race may be won.

3. The supreme aim of Geneva is to produce the highest type of Christian leaders. The pull of the college associations is for scholarship; and the daily task of instruction keeps that aim before faculty and students. We commend the effort made by the college to maintain the Christian purpose of the school, and express our earnest wish that means be found to add to it very largely.

4. We recommend to the college the study of ways and means to keep the college in the prayers of the church. In number of our leaders employed and in the investments of the church's money, Geneva is one of our largest investments. Christian education is a spiritual task that requires spiritual support. Geneva's President, Faculty, Board and Students need the prayers of the church.

5. We recommend the appointment of D. H. Elliott as his own successor on the Board of Corporators.

Respectfully submitted,
PAUL COLEMAN,
FINDLEY M. WILSON,
T. C. McKNIGHT,
D. C. WARD.

REPORT OF BOARD OF CORPORATORS OF GENEVA COLLEGE

The Board of Corporators of Geneva College would respectfully report:

That we have held two meetings for the transaction of our business, besides the annual meeting at the college for the election of officers for the year.

It is with sorrow we record the deaths of two of our members: R. C. Wylie and J. D. McAnlis. Both these men have served a long period as members of this Board, J. D. McAnlis being a charter member of the Board. We would bear record to their faithfulness and readiness to serve the best interests of the College. It was their joy to see the College grow and advance along all lines.

The following officers were nominated to be elected at the

annual meeting at the college, Thursday, June 20, 1929: President, F. M. Wilson; vice president, E. A. Crooks; secretary, A. A. Wylie; treasurer, James S. Tibby.

The Board of Trustees was reelected for the ensuing year. The names of the Covenanter members are: T. M. Slater, D. H. Elliott, D. C. Mathews, J. G. Reed, R. A. Blair, H. L. Smith, J. M. Blackwood, M. D., W. J. Sterrett, M. D., Joseph M. Steele, J. H. McBurney, J. Walker Wilson, R. M. Young, Miss Mary McKnight, Mrs. J. S. Tibby, Mrs. Marie L. Stormont.

Eugene S. Hoopes, representative of the Business men of Beaver valley was elected his own successor for a term of three years. The other representatives from the business men are Judge Geo. A. Baldwin and Charles R. May.

S. C. Milligan, M. D., from the Alumni Association was elected his own successor for a term of three years. The other representatives of the Alumni Association are Ross E. Taggart and Charles Z. Bell.

The following members whose time expires this year were chosen their own successors on the Board for a term of three years, by the Board of Corporators: G. M. Robb, F. M. Wilson, J. G. Reed. Wm. Esler was chosen to succeed J. D. McAnlis and D. B. Martin was chosen to fill out the unexpired term of R. C. Wylie.

H. G. Patterson was certified as representative from Iowa Presbytery in place of D. B. Martin.

The term for which D. H. Elliott was chosen by the Synod has expired and his successor should be chosen by Synod.

We note with pleasure the enlarging work and influence of Geneva College. We express our appreciation of the earnest and persevering efforts of the President and Faculty to maintain a high scholastic and Christian standard in our educational center. We pray and believe that the coming year will be one of greater advancement in all the affairs of our institution of learning.

For more specific information of the activities of the College we refer you to the report of the Board of Trustees which was received by us and is herewith transmitted to Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
A. A. WYLIE, Secretary Pro Tem.

REPORT OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF GENEVA COLLEGE

To the Board of Corporators of Geneva College:

In bringing our report for another year concerning Geneva College we wish lovingly to make acknowledgment to God for his guidance and his blessing throughout the year. There have been many favoring providences. Life and health of faculty and students have been under his gracious protection. There has been little to disturb the peace. The college has prospered in the things it has intended to get done. A fine group of young

people have done a good year's work. We thank God and take courage.

The Administration

The Board at its annual meeting had occasion to speak freely of its appreciation of the men who have administrated its affairs.

Dr. Pearce has now had almost six years of service as President. They have been fruitful of good to the college in many ways. The students have confidence in him and he has had marked success in dealing with the troubles that occasionally arise. The college has grown during these years. In number of students from 966 to 1621. In endowment from $279,842 to $656,241. In like proportion there has been advancement in number and scholastic standing of faculty, in equipment, and especially in appreciation in the valley and in rating among educational institutions. Credit is due for this to Dr. Pearce and to all who have been associated with him in working for improvement of Geneva. We sincerely regret the break in health from which Dr. Pearce has suffered this spring, and the vexatious matter of discipline that may have helped it along. But we are fondly hoping that a summer's rest in Europe may result in bringing him back with renewed strength. This Synod, the student body, the people who have money to give to Geneva and possibly the Board of Trustees can do much to make his work more pleasant for him than it has sometimes been.

Vice-President Clarke has had a large share in bringing about the advancement we have shown. His real gift for getting people with money to share it with Geneva has been a great asset to the college for these many years. His work yielded more than $22,000 in cash and equipment to the college this year, together with other pledges to be paid when needed for the purpose for which they were subscribed. The Board genuinely appreciates the service rendered by Dr. Clarke.

Dr. J. S. Martin continues to lend a hand at many things. He is doing splendid work at stirring and holding interest among the Alumni. The editing of the quarterly "Alumnus" draws many words of appreciation from folk who otherwise would almost forget Geneva. He is a fine watch-dog of the treasury that often saves the over-stepping of the bounds of the budget. Of course he gets unkind words from disappointed suppliants. The collection of the collectible in the $400,000 campaign is nearing an end. Some folks just won't pay up, some cannot.

The Faculty

Professors Moore, John Coleman and Mrs. Wylie were welcomed back after a year's leave of absence to do graduate work. Professors Cutright and Stewart have been granted leave next year for graduate study.

Professor W. Wallace McCormick, has been elected assistant Professor of Mathematics and Physics, to take the place left vacant by Professor James T. Russell.

A new department, German, is planned for next year. Mrs. Cutright has been chosen to teach the subject.

A request for higher salaries for the members of the faculty was received and carefully considered. A slight increase in tuition from $75 to $85 per semester was approved in the hope that it would help to make such an increase possible. It will be impossible to get high class teachers or hold those we have unless we get into a position where we can pay more.

Attendance

Students enrolled this year in all departments number 1621: 45 more than last year. In the Day School, 523; Extension, 799; Summer Session, 321; School of Music, 236; School of Public Speaking, 10; total, 1,889; Duplications, 268. Net total as above. The graduating class numbers 102, 20 of these are Covenanters.

A Christian College

Secretary Lee says in his annual report "Most of our students are always friendly, orderly and scholarly Christians." The Y. W. C. A. and the Y. M. C. A. are active organizations with a really religious program. Five young men of the graduating class plan to enter theological seminaries. In McKee Hall "every evening after dinner there is worship. The presence of all is required. Each girl takes her turn in conducting these meetings. A prayer group meets every Sabbath night and every night during the week of prayer . . . . A number of our students teach Sabbath School classes during the year at the Eastvale mission."

A week of special meetings under the leadership of members of the faculty were held in March. Chapel worship has been characterized by a spirit of reverence that has been noted by visitors. The Bible and Religious Education departments, under the able leadership of Professors Coleman and Tweed, help to give a positive religious atmosphere. Because of this, Geneva is attracting students from earnest Christian homes of other churches, and is drawing financial support from some who want to help that kind of a college.

The Extension School

The Extension Department is getting to be the big thing and ever finding larger openings. It enrolled 799 students this year in many different centers. 118 classes in all. Plans to open up other courses to employees of many industrial plants are awakening interest. There are 16 graduates in this year's class who took their courses in this department. Professor Twinem is doing able work in developing this field. It yielded a net income to the college of $1,896.61.

Summer Session

New courses specially attractive to teachers are to be offered this summer. The special feature for 1929 will be a "unit course in Elementary Education." The summer session offers college work in almost any course for which there is a demand. Students are coming from a number of higher institutions for this session. It paid its way last summer, gave Geneva good advertising and showed a profit of $87.98.

Library

One of the crying needs of the college now is a much better library. More room, more books and a full time librarian. This is one of the special lacks pointed out by those sent to pass on Geneva's fitness to take a place in the American Association of Universities. **Needed!** men with money who love Geneva.

Forensics

Debate teams, coached by Dr. Clarke, made a good showing and had good experience in defeat as well as in victory. One girl's team has not lost a debate in three years. The boy's lost 7 and won 3. Some of them being audience decisions.

John Dodds, son of the late Rev. R. J. Dodds, intercollegiate orator, won the state championship, and took third place in a larger district, including six Eastern states.

Athletics

Geneva had a satisfactory year in this field. In football most of the games were won. Three important ones were lost during what seemed to be a slump in fighting spirit. Mr. Flenniken, the young coach, made a fine beginning.

In basketball, Coach Loeffler led his team into a championship with Bethany in the conference.

In track, the squad trained and led by Coach Park won its sixth successive championship of the conference.

In tennis and cross-country, Geneva rated near the top. 80% of male students were engaged in athletics of some kind. The girls also, under Miss George, have had regular physical training classes, and held tournaments in volley ball, basketball, baseball, and tennis.

For next year, Mr. Davies has been elected to have charge of the Physical Education Department and intra-mural athletics, and is to be assistant coach in football. This will enable Geneva to give credits required by the state for those who wish to teach in the department of Physical Education.

Athletics again paid a profit financially, of $451.88 in spite of adverse weather conditions for the big drawing games. Progress is being made in securing funds for a new gymnasium. Much more is needed before building can begin. A tower and chimes are provided for it by friends in Philadelphia of Dr. Clarence McCartney in a pledge of $25,000.

Finances

A material reduction in the mortgage on McKee Hall has been effected, but this is balanced by increased borrowings from the bank. The present total indebtedness is **$153,342.80, or** $1,030.76 more than it was last year.

There was an increase of total endowment of $37,939.30 from the estate of the late Henry O'Neill. This sum was designated for mission work in China, but under terms and conditions which proved to be such that the Board could not apply the bequest as was stipulated in Mr. O'Neill's will. Because of this, by the action of the heirs of this estate, this sum was given to Geneva College with the stipulation that the income from it be used to

secure national speakers to present the cause of missions to the students and otherwise promote interest in foreign missions.

The increase in tuition of $10.00 per semester that has been approved will give an increased income of about $9,000 provided the attendance holds its own. This increase still leaves us under the amount of tuition charges of many other schools in the district. Plans are being worked out for a 50th anniversary drive for increased funds to pay off this debt and build the new gymnasium.

Degrees Conferred

According to the recommendation of the faculty, degrees were conferred on members of the graduating class as follows: Bachelor of Arts 67; Bachelor of Science, 18; Bachelor of Science in Ed., 9; Bachelor of Science in C, 1; Bachelor of Science in E, 1; Bachelor of Music, 3; Bachelor of Oratory, 3; Certificate in Music, 2.

Miss Mary Stormont, of Princeton, Indiana, congregation had the rather unique distinction of winning the degrees of Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Music, and Bachelor of Oratory.

The honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred on Rev. Pollock J. McDonald, of Chicago, and Rev. Robert J. McIsaac, of Selma, Alabama.

President M. M. Pearce and T. M. Slater were appointed to represent the Board, before the Board of Corporators, before Synod, and together with R. A. Blair, before the coordinating committee.

To aid in the support of the college this year, Synod is asked for an appropriation of $16,000 not to exceed $2,000 of which may be spent for paying the traveling expenses of Covenanter students who come from a distance.

The following nominees were certified to the Board of Corporators, from which to choose a successor to Eugene S. Hoopes as a member of the Board of Trustees, representing the business men of Beaver Valley: Eugene S. Hoopes, to succeed himself; W. W. Potts, Presbyterian, Banker; E. M. Long, Presbyterian, Mgr., Beaver Clay Co.

Respectfully submitted,
J. G. REED, Secretary.

Synod took recess until 7:30 p. m., prayer by Elder Dr. J. M. Wright.

MONDAY EVENING, JUNE 10, 1929

Synod reconvened at 7:30, was called to order by the Moderator, and led in prayer by Elder George Wallace. The minutes of the afternoon session were read and approved.

Dr. W. J. Coleman, having served for fifty years in the ministry of the church, was called to the floor and briefly addressed the Synod. As an expression of its esteem and respect for Dr. Coleman, the Synod rose to its feet. Congratulations were extended Dr. and Mrs. Coleman in recognition of their recent Golden Wedding Anniversary.

The matter of W. J. Coleman's salary for his work in the Seminary was referred to the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary.

The report of the Committee on Home Missions was read by W. A. Aikin, and considered item by item. In connection with the consideration of the report as a whole, S. E. Greer introduced Miss Annie Forsythe to tell Synod of the work in the Jewish Mission. J. G. Reed spoke on behalf of the Home Mission work in the aid-receiving congregations. J. M. Johnston spoke of the work in the Southern Mission, and introduced Elder W. J. Anderson, of the Selma Congregation, who briefly addressed the court. J. D. Edgar also spoke of his visit to the Southern Mission and the work there. R. C. Adams introduced Elder George Wallace, of the Cache Creek congregation, who spoke of the appreciation of the Indians for the work the church has done among them. Mr. Adams and O. F. Thompson also spoke of the work in that Mission. The report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS

Your committee on Home Missions would respectfully report:

The reports of the Board of Home Missions and of the Jewish Mission Board have been placed in our hands.

The fullness of the reports submitted reveals the depth of the interest of the Boards to which the work of these fields have been committed.

We note the various lines of work that are being carried on in the Jewish Mission. We rejoice with them in the good Sabbath School attendance they have had during the past year, the regular weekly sermon by Frank L. Stewart, the manifestations of the Spirit among the Jewish women at the mission, the continuance of the mailing Tract Ministry, bringing the gospel message into many Jewish homes, the daily noon-hour reading and memorizing of the Scriptures, and the outdoor Evangelistic meetings. We rejoice with the workers at the mission in the signs of a quickening interest and a softening of the Jews in regard to the things of Christ and we will pray that the time may soon come when the Lord shall pour out upon them the spirit of grace and supplication and they shall look upon Him "whom they have pierced and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for him as one that is in bitterness for his first born."

We would express our appreciation to those of the congre-

gations in Philadelphia who have assisted the missionaries in their work and to the Women's Missionary Societies, Young People's Societies and Juniors who have furnished materials for the sewing class at the Mission and means for the annual treat for the children. We would assure them of the promise of God concerning Abraham and his seed: "And I will bless them that bless thee."

As we see the Grace of God manifested in our Southern Mission the past year we are glad. Special contributions have made possible major improvements in the property. The joining of the oversight of the school and the congregation has brought the school into closer touch with the church. The mission has enjoyed the continued services of Prof. and Mrs. McIsaac. The school buildings have been filled to capacity and the work has gone forward nicely. There has been development in the work of the Home Department. And we are especially glad to learn concerning the deepening of the spiritual life of the congregation and that the Lord is adding unto the number of them that believe the gospel of the kingdom of Christ. Ethiopia is stretching out her hands unto God.

That the Indians in the congregation at our Mission are awakening to a sense of their accountability for those of their race who are yet in darkness, is a cause for rejoicing. We would urge upon the church that prayer be continued that young men may be raised up among the Christian Indians to act as messengers of the Gospel among their own people. We are grateful for the good attendance and interest shown in the communion services and the closer contact of the missionary with the young men of the congregation. The professions of faith during the past year should encourage all who have been making prayer for the conversion of the Indians.

In caring for the weak congregations, the church is facing a new era in home mission work. The most of the weak congregations today are not those on the frontier, where the nucleus of a congregation has been planted, but in those places where at one time a self-supporting congregation flourished. The westward movement or changed industrial surroundings has wrought the change. In some cases inviting fields may still be found among these weak congregations. In other instances it is the case of a small, discouraged band of church members.

Such a situation calls for the most faithful and sympathetic oversight on the part of elders who remain in the congregation, the deep interest and wise counsel of presbyteries and the help and support spiritually as well as financially of the entire church. The church is asked to join unitedly in prayer that the Head of the Church will raise up ministers for these shepherdless flocks.

We make the following recommendations:

I. That the $6,000 coming to the Board for the Southern Mission from the estate of S. J. Huston be distributed to the current account over a period of three years.

II. That Synod permit the Board to supplement funds for the support of layworkers where ministers are not available.

III. That F. M. Wilson, R. W. Duncan, Dr. Susan Wiggins,

and John Calderwood be elected their own successors on the Jewish Mission Board.

IV. That W. J. Coleman, William Blair and D. C. Ward be elected their own successors on the Board of Home Missions and that D. B. Martin and J. G. Vos be elected to fill the places made vacant by the deaths of R. C. Reed and R. C. Wylie.

V. That in accord with the recommendations of the Board, S. E. Greer be heard on behalf of the Jewish Mission Board; J. G. Reed in behalf of the Home Missions; J. M. Johnston and J. D. Edgar in behalf of the Southern Mission; R. C. Adams and Owen Thompson in behalf of the Indian Mission.

Respectfully submitted,
W. A. AIKIN,
S. E. GREER,
JOHN C. PEOPLES.

REPORT OF BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS

The Board of Home Missions respectfully reports:

God in His providence has called home two of our members during the year now closed. R. C. Reed, co-pastor of the Central-Pittsburgh church, had completed eleven years of service when he passed away June 7, 1928. R. C. Wylie, Senior Professor in the Theological Seminary, had been an active leader in our work for over 36 years, when his call came on July 31, 1928.

This double loss sets before us what is the problem of our Board and of all the work of the Church. The fathers are passing on from us, and their places must be filled. The promise is that from generation to generation there shall be a seed to do Him service. We need to be earnest in prayer that He will fulfill this promise to us. Our congregations are losing by death those who have given a life-long devotion to the Covenanter cause, and not in every case are there others coming forward to take up the tasks which these have laid down, with equal fidelity and devotion. Why not? Is the fault with the present leaders, in their leadership, in their teaching, in their influence? Is the fault with those who turn from the leadership and teaching? Is the fault with the cause? Or is there fault at all? Surely we need to think soberly in these days, and to lay our case before the Lord with importunate entreaty.

We may at times be cast down, but we are not discouraged. The cause, we believe is God's and His zeal will perform what He has purposed. It is our task to be faithful in doing what is given us to do, and it is our joy and peace to leave the outcome to Him. During the past year we have been privileged to see some fruits of working together with Him.

Home Missions

The report of the Mission Conference will bring the needs of our weak congregations before Synod. In some cases the people have hesitated to ask for aid, because of the discouraging outlook. We are persuaded that this support of struggling congregations is a most important work. We remember the

contributions which have come from many of these congregations when they were more flourishing. We remember the leaders who have come from them. We remember other congregations which have been helped, and now are among our stronger churches. One minister has written of the profit of studying "what the congregations assisted by the Central Board have done. The same is true of the Pacific Coast Presbytery. Our preachers come from that territory."

There are some promising fields among our vacant congregations. In spite of our apparent supply of ministers wanting preaching, when our Board considered available men for these posts, we found that practically there was no one available. Dr. J. C. McFeeters was in Regina until winter, and urged that a minister be sent to follow him. There was no one to go. It was largely because of this situation that, at the suggestion of Secretary J. D. Edgar, the Board took action with regard to the use of our first-year students of theology as lay workers in our fields, and suggested the possibility of licensing our students hereafter, at the close of their first year.

In this connection we desire to pay tribute to the memory of Dr. McFeeters, who was an earnest and successful laborer in our Home Mission work after his retiring from the pastorate. We are informed that he counted these latter years the most fruitful years of his ministry. We need more young men for the ministry, but we also need more old men like J. C. McFeeters.

From time to time suggestions come to us for the opening up of work in new fields. A letter with regard to a new California station was referred to J. D. Edgar. A resolution was presented to the last meeting of Pittsburgh Presbytery that unemployed men be assigned "to labor in new fields and receive such remuneration as Presbytery can give together with any other help they can get." Presbytery appointed a committee to consider the plan.

Your Board began the year with a deficit in the Home Mission Fund of $5,090.97. The receipts were $19,275.74 and the disbursements, $18,445.50. The balance was overdrawn on April 15, 1929, $4,260.73. Inasmuch as we expect to receive $4,500.00 from the Samuel J. Huston estate, we request for this work for the coming year only $14,000.

Southern Mission

The changes and readjustments at Selma which were referred to in our last report were carried into effect at the first of the school year. J. M. Johnston is Stated Supply of the Selma congregation and superintendent of Knox Academy. R. J. McIsaac continues teaching in the high school, and is living in the cottage in Union street, where Mrs. McIsaac has oversight of the library and reading room, in addition to her work in collecting the tuition. Mrs. J. M. Johnston and Mrs. Senegal have had charge of the work in the Home Department.

The primary grade, below first grade was dropped, and we now have only the full twelve grades. The rooms assigned to the various grades were changed so as to leave the vacant room on the third floor, available for use by the high school.

Tuition rates were advanced as much as the workers on the field thought advisable.

The teachers in the lower grades were the same as last year. In the high school, Miss Lytle Stormont's leave of absence was extended for another year, and Miss Lillian McCracken was continued in her place. She has continued to serve as Principal of the high school. Miss Anna Patton resigned because of ill health, and the Board very reluctantly accepted her resignation. Miss Gretta Johnson was elected to fill the vacancy. The same teachers have been reelected for the coming year.

We desire again to place on record our appreciation of the services of Prof. and Mrs. McIsaac. They both have labored long and faithfully at Selma. Prof. McIsaac's giving up the Superintendency does not separate them from our work. We want them to stay with us.

The property at Selma has been much improved. Some of these changes were noted in our last report as completed or in process. A garage was built in the rear of the Teachers' Home. A drinking fountain in the school grounds has been added. Shrubbery has been planted in front of the main building. The major improvements, costing $1,265, were provided for by special contributions. Repairs have been made to the church building at a cost of about $900. Of this amount, $500 was received from the Board of Church Erection. The belfry had been removed earlier. Elder Anderson, who was at Synod last year, reproduced our church flag on the wall back of the pulpit, in the colors, blue and gold.

The winter was unusually long and cold. There were many appeals for help, which were answered through the generosity of the northern congregations. The cotton crop was short one-half. It has been difficult to collect the tuition for the second term.

The enrollment in the school was 551; 348 girls and 203 boys. The number in each grade ranges from 101 in grade 1 to 39 in grade 4, and 22 in the Junior class in high school. Of the total 551, 117 are in the high school, of these 27 are in the Senior class, the largest Senior class in the history of Knox. Many children had to be turned away, especially those applying for the first grade.

The new step taken in joining the oversight of the school and of the congregation has brought the school into closer touch with the church. Mr. Johnston spends every forenoon in the school. He conducts the chapel exercises and has a Senior Bible study class each day. This is in addition to his task of taking charge of business details of the school. The teachers have labored faithfully and efficiently under his capable leadership.

Evangelistic services were conducted in November by J. D. Edgar, assisted by R. A. M. Steele. The church was well filled. Three persons united with the church and one was restored. Mr. Johnston was much encouraged by the deepening of the spiritual life of the people.

Eight persons have united with the church during the past year. In February two mothers from the Home Department

came forward after prayermeeting and about three weeks later two daughters of one joined. Mr. Johnston is preaching twice each Sabbath. Recently he has been giving a series of sermons on "Why we are Covenanters." The young people were re-organized into a C. Y. P. U. The congregation's share of Synod's Budget was paid in full.

During the summer Mrs. Johnston in her visits met an old man who had once been counted a faithful member. She persuaded him to come back. When he was leaving the church on Sabbath he said to Mr. Johnston, "I am still a Covenanter, but I have wandered away from the flock. I am glad to get back home."

Mr. Kingston has been quite a help. He attends the Sabbath and Wednesday services regularly. He has visited the people, has officiated at funeral services, and has preached on occasion.

The mothers of the Home Department held their annual meeting in January. About sixty mothers are in this organization. Mrs. Johnston and Mrs. McIsaac have charge of the work visiting in the homes and distributing wholesome literature. They receive reports on the needs from Mrs. Senegal who makes regular visits. They conduct a Sabbath School in connection with the Home Department in one of the homes on Sabbath afternoons. The children of the neighborhood are gathered in. After the meeting they visit the homes of the "shut-ins." Miss Fowler and Miss Gretta Johnston have charge of the Junior Band on Sabbath afternoon. About twenty attend.

The sending out of requests for prayer for our missions, which was under the direction of your Board, was referred this year to Secretary J. D. Edgar. Several of our C. Y. P. U. members prayed earnestly for a gain of twenty or more at Selma and Cache Creek.

At the beginning of the year the Southern Mission was in debt $1,913.19. Receipts for the year were $15,504.51 and expenditures were $13,664.23. Our balance on April 15, 1929, was overdrawn $72.91. In expectation of the adoption of our recommendation with regard to the money due from the Huston Estate, we request for the coming year $7,000.00.

Indian Mission

The year at Cache Creek has had its bright lights and its shadows. The work among the Apaches was revived during the summer. Meetings were resumed at Big Ben's on Wednesday evenings, but not on Sabbaths, because the Apaches were usually away. Two families of the Apaches did not attend the summer picnics, but came to our Sabbath services instead. One of these men drove his car to the Forest Park C. Y. P. U. Conference. Five Indians were in attendance there. A Young People's Society was since organized, and its committees are working well.

The Apache boys came during the basketball season on Monday and Wednesday evenings, though not much on Sabbaths. On Monday they attended a Bible class, after which they played games. On Wednesday evening they came to a Young Peo-

ple's meeting, after which they played basketball. Games were played with other schools. They took part in young people's meetings, and went on to lead the meetings. The great gain of the year was in this closer contact of Mr. Adams with the young men. Four of these boys united with the church at the fall communion.

J. D. Edgar was the assistant at this communion. The attendance at all services was bettter than usual, and the number of communicants was 58, 14 more than at any communion since Mr. Adams came to the Mission.

Owen F. Thompson was the assistant at the April communion, and was welcomed as a true friend by the Indians. The attendance at the services was excellent, and a fine spirit was shown.

An election of Elders and Deacons was held recently. Two Elders were elected and have been ordained. The two deacons elected did not accept the office.

During the fall George Wallace presented to the congregation the need of mission work among the Indians in Yucatan. Enthusiasm was aroused, and ten people pledged a month's salary each, twelve dollars, for a worker there. Two others volunteered later. A Cache Creek Missionary Society was organized, composed of contributors to this work, and a few others. Its motto is, "Tell Others of the Love of God." This Society meets each month for prayer for their representatives, to learn more about the field in which he works, and to stir up their interest in Christian work. The Indians started this movement, and feel responsible for keeping it up.

In other directions there has been progress in giving. The congregation contributed last year to several causes for the first time.

There have been discouragements. Last summer the number of picnics and fairs, with attending sins, seemed greater than ever. All the hopes of the winter have not been fulfilled in the spring. But Mr. Adams is doing steady work, and is gaining ground, if slowly, yet surely. The Indians have come to respect him more and more, and he is bringing them up to a higher standard of living. Mr. Edgar, in speaking of this, writes:

"The conditions there are very different from what they were when I was at the mission during Dr. Carither's time. The problems are not the same. The people have been more largely influenced by the sins of wicked white men. The Indians are gradually moving onto their own land allotments and are scattering. They have in recent years been given their elective franchise and the new problems of their relation to the civil government has to be met. Many other things might be mentioned but this serves to illustrate. I am so glad the rodeos and vile picnics of both of which the Indians are fond, are no nearer the mission than they are."

Rev. A. J. McFarland and his wife were at the mission during most of July, while Mr. and Mrs. Adams were away. Mrs. M. I. Robb, long at Selma, was at the mission during most of the summer, and helped with the work.

The Indian Mission account had a balance of $2,393.69 on

April 15, 1928. The receipts for the year were $2,479.32, and the expenditures were $2,476.17. The balance on April 15, 1929, was $2,396.84. We request for the coming year nothing beyond the $1,200 given by the Women's Missionary Society of Pittsburgh Presbytery for the missionary's salary.

The Recording Secretary was appointed to represent the Board before the Co-ordinating Committee.

The term for which W. J. Coleman, William Blair and D. C. Ward were elected has expired, and their successors should be chosen at this meeting of Synod. The places of R. C. Wylie and R. C. Reed, whose term expires this year, should be filled.

We recommend:

1. That D. B. Martin and J. G. Vos be chosen to membership in the Board.

2. That the $6,000 coming to the Board for the Southern Mission from the estate of S. J. Huston, be distributed to the current account over a period of three years.

3. That Synod permit the Board to use supplement funds for the support of lay-workers where ministers are not available.

4. That J. G. Reed be heard in behalf of Home Missions; J. M. Johnston and J. D. Edgar in behalf of the Southern Mission; and R. C. Adams and Owen Thompson in behalf of the Indian Mission.

Respectfully submitted,
J. B. WILLSON, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE JEWISH MISSION BOARD

The Jewish Mission Board respectfully submits the following report:

We have held regular meetings during the Synodical year. The regular work of the Mission has been carried on throughout the year without intermission. We are grateful to God for the general good health of our two faithful missionaries, Miss Annie Forsyth and Miss Elizabeth Forsyth.

The Sabbath School attendance has been encouraging throughout the year. Some scholars have moved away but others have come to take their places. We are greatly indebted to Ralph W. Duncan and Miss Sarah C. Archer for giving their time and talents to this part of the work.

One new feature of the past year has been the weekly sermon preached by Frank L. Stewart immediately after Sabbath School. This service was given gratis in behalf of the Jewish work. Interest was awakened by the posters used in connection with the weekly sermon. The children took notes of the sermons, and some of the note-books showed painstaking care. The missionaries in commenting on the sermons said, "This service is a joy to the workers, who are praying for and expecting great things from the preaching of the Gospel in the Mission."

Last year in our Jewish Mothers' Meeting we had to contend with opposition from Jewish Societies. This year some of the Jewish women who have been attending our meetings at the Mission stirred up ill-feeling. We talked the matter over at a

meeting of the Board. It was agreed to pray earnestly and the Lord answered. The Holy Spirit quietly, but effectually wrought a change in the attitude of these women one toward another. Friends who come occasionally to the Mission remarked, "How different these women are from what they formerly were . . . . so gentle, refined and bright." The attendance at these meetings, which was always good, has been increased recently.

The many assurances of friends praying for the work have strengthened and encouraged the workers to go forward.

The Mailing Tract Ministry has been continued. This means fifty copies of the little magazine, "The Shepherd of Israel," going into fifty Jewish homes each week, or over 2,600 copies in the past year. Bibles and New Testaments are sold or given to callers and inquirers, and Gospels were distributed in Yiddish, Hebrew, Russian, Roumanian, Lithuanian, Italian, Polish, German and English. The Philadelphia Bible Society gave us a generous supply of New Testaments and Gospels.

With the help of Rev. and Mrs. S. E. Greer, Rev. and Mrs. F. L. Stewart, and the Young People of the three churches, the Friday evening meetings have been encouraging and helpful. These friends, together with the three Women's Missionary Societies, have added much to the social life of the Mission, and appreciation was expressed by all who had the privilege of attending these gatherings.

The Women's Missionary Societies, the Young People's Societies, Juniors and individual friends throughout the Church have splendidly provided for the needs of the Sewing Class, and for the annual holiday treat. Miss Agnes Hogan, Miss Mattie Henry and Mrs. Danehour have given faithful and efficient assistance.

The daily noon hour is occupied with Bible readings, memorizing Psalms and verses of Scripture. The smaller children hold a Bible, and lisp Psalm 23, John 3:16, a portion of Luke 2, or John 14, imitating reading like the older ones.

As usual, we secured a permit for out-door Evangelistic meetings, to be held from May until September. These meetings are mainly conducted by the Russian Christians, but we also occasionally provide speakers when possible. In the fall eleven converts of several nationalities, after months of probation, were baptized. We take a supply of Gospels and tracts, and the Russians help in the distribution of them at the meetings. Their leaders generously say that much of their success in winning these converts to the Lord was due to the spiritual help received from our Mission.

There is a marked difference within the last two years in the spirit of callers and inquirers who come into the Mission after reading the Scripture in Hebrew and Yiddish in the window. In reasoning with them we feel, as so clearly expressed by a Hebrew Christian worker, "Why do they not recognize Jesus and the joy of the children of God? Why have they not the liberty? Why have we not the power? What is missing, what is wanting? Why can we not satisfy such souls, hungry with spiritual longing?" Further, he says, "There never has been a time in Israel's history when the Jews have been more

honestly endeavoring to find the truth and to come into close contact with the life, teaching, character, and requirements of the Lord Jesus. We fully realize there is a true softening of the heart. To us it is one of the greatest signs, which inspires us with every possible hope. Thus we realize there has been progress and fruitage. There are opportunities before the Church of Christ, and the Church cannot afford to halt for a moment."

The Board asks the Synod this year for $3,000.00. The secretary was appointed to represent the Board before the Coordinating Committee and S. E. Greer to represent the Board on the floor of Synod.

The terms of F. M. Wilson, R. W. Duncan, Dr. Susan Wiggins, John Calderwood, and Mrs. J. T. Mitchell expire with this meeting of Synod, and their successors should be appointed.

Respectfully submitted,
FRANK L. STEWART, Secretary.

The Committee on Obtaining Citizenship for Covenanter Aliens, Item 22 of Unfinished Business, reported thru its Chairman, F. M. Wilson. The report was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OBTAINING CITIZENSHIP OF ALIENS

Circumstances seemed to make it unnecessary to call a meeting of the Committee. Late in the year 1928 the chairman of the Committee, accompanied by Robert Clarke, went to Washington to interview the Department of Citizenship. Having procured introductions, we appeared at the department and had a friendly and satisfactory interview on the entire subject. We learned that the law of our nation requires applications for naturalization to be made and decided upon in the Federal or State District Courts.

The Department at Washington has no part in the procedure until the papers come up to the Department to be issued under instructions from the Federal or State District Court.

The Chairman of your Committee was assured that if the courts pass an application for citizenship, there will be no opposition to the issuing of the papers by the Department of Citizenship in Washington.

Respectfully submitted,
FINDLEY M. WILSON, Chairman

J. S. Martin submitted the report of the special committee to answer the question submitted by Dr. H. L. Smith of Bloomington, Indiana. The report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

AN ANSWER

To the queries propounded to this Synod in the memorandum submitted by Prof. Lester H. Smith, of our Bloomington, Indiana congregation:

While a number of questions are raised in the memorandum brought to this Synod by a member of the Bloomington, Ind., congregation through the session of that congregation and the Illinois Presbytery and by the Synod referred to your Committee for answer, they are, in the judgment of your Committee, all included in the following question which was numbered E in this memorandum:

E. Since the Covenanters registered, by refusal to vote, their disapproval of the refusal by the Constitutional Convention to insert in the Constitution a recognition of God and of His Christ, should they continue this form of protest when the Supreme Court of the United States, which has become the interpreter of the meaning of what the people desired to express in their Constitution and laws, has said that this is a Christian nation?

Preliminary to the direct answer to this question we would have you note that neither the value of political dissent as a means to an end nor what should or should not be terms of ecclesiastical communion are raised in this question. The one thing we are asked to determine is whether the decision of the Supreme Court referred to is, in effect, the achievement legally of that which we aimed to achieve by our position of political dissent. With this said by way of introduction we would answer:

1. The decision of the Supreme Court referred to in the memorandum is what is generally termed an "obiter dictum" decision; that is, a decision not of the real question at issue, but a pronouncement that would help to a right decision of that question, which question was, whether the Act of Feb. 26, 1885, "to prohibit the importation and migration of foreigners and aliens under contract or agreement to perform labor in the United States," applies to a contract between an alien minister of the Gospel residing out of the United States, and a religious society known as the Holy Trinity Church incorporated under the laws of the state in which this society was located. The decision of the Court was that the Act was meant merely to prohibit the influx of cheap unskilled labor into our country and that it could not possibly have been the intent of Congress in enacting this statute to prevent the maintenance of the Christian religion in our country, since ours is a Christian nation. Whatever bearing, therefore, this pronouncement or "obiter dictum" decision, so called, may have on the character of our nation, and it admittedly has a bearing on it, in the very nature of the case it cannot have the weight that such a decision would have, had the case before the court been the direct one of whether or not this is a Christian nation.

2. The only sense in which the court rendering the decision meant the nation is Christian was that the dominant, prevailing religion in the United States is Christianity rather than Buddhism, Mohammedanism, or any other false religion. The unde-

niable proof of this is to be found in what the Court cited in support of its pronouncement; namely, a number of our numerous Christian usages, customs, laws and institutions with which we are all more or less familiar and in the existence and prevalence of which we all rejoice. For a nation to abound in these, even to be threaded through and through with them, is one thing, but manifestly to do the will of God because it is His will and out of a supreme desire to honor and glorify Him, (and that is the test by which we determine whether or no a man is a Christian) is quite another thing. And we must ever keep clearly in mind that it is because our nation as such never has openly owned Christ as its Lord and His law, in so far as that law relates to nations, as the rule of its life and standard of its conduct, and so expressed itself in its highest written law, that Covenanters are political dissenters.

3. Even the Supreme Court of the United States cannot amend the Federal Constitution by interpretation to the degree of turning a lack of any reference into a positive declaration for acknowledging Jesus Christ and His law. The actual opinion in question is, as we have said, concerning a statute law, and only concludes from the argument "This is a religious people," that no purpose of action against religion can be imputed in a law when no reference to religion is made. Justice Brewer does not say that, if there had been a specific reference forbidding hiring a foreign clergyman, this provision would have been unconstitutional because the Constitution is Christian.

In his argument to prove that this is a religious people, he refers to the Federal Constitution only in two clauses. One is in the First Amendment, that Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof, a provision which he indicates is a provision touching "upon the private life of the individual." This cannot, as we see it, be interpreted into a decision on the public life of the nation. The other provision Justice Brewer refers to is that the Executive shall have ten days (Sundays excepted) to act upon a bill. This granting to the Executive a rest day does not require him to keep it as a Sabbath. This, therefore, cannot, as we see it, be a declaration for Jesus Christ and His law.

4. This decision, as we see it, makes no distinction, either expressly or impliedly, between the nation and its agent the government. It is because the political body which constitutes the governing society of our country in its compact of government—our written fundamental law which lays down the principles by which the nation is to be governed—sets up the will of the ruling majority as of supreme authority in civil life rather than the will of the only rightful Lord and Ruler of all nations, that the Covenanters maintain the position of political dissent. And until that compact has been altered in such a way as to recognize the Divine will as supreme, we are pledged to maintain our position as the most effective means of bringing about the desired result as well as to keep our consciences void of offense before God. We simply must obey God rather than men.

5. This decision was rendered in the year 1892, well nigh forty years ago. It was rendered at a time when we had in

our membership men of ability who had not only made a thorough and comprehensive study of laws, both constitutional and statutory, but the fruits of whose labors we have in written form. And in not a single instance, so far as we know, has any one of these men, some of whom within recent months only have gone to their reward, found in this decision anything to justify the surrendering of our position of political dissent. Rather have each and all of them found in it an encouragement to labor more earnestly and hopefully to bring our nation to an open acknowledgment of God and His Christ.

In view of the above we would, so far from giving up the position of political dissent, emphasize anew the importance of maintaining it as a means to the end of arresting public thought and directing it to our constitutional defect and the remedy for the same.

But along with this reply to the query propounded your committee desires to put on record its keen appreciation of the situation which prompted the query, and also of the spirit and foresightedness of the author of the query and his concern to relieve the situation in Indiana, brought about by the recent action of the legislature of that state. Furthermore, in the light of this and numerous other somewhat similar situations arising from time to time that embarrass our people, we record it as our conviction that this court should, at the present meeting, take some action to aid them in securing relief, if possible, from this embarrassment.

Respectfully submitted,
JAMES S. MARTIN,
GEO. S. COLEMAN,
T. C. McKNIGHT,
J. WALKER WILSON,
T. D. RUSSELL.

The same committee was directed to prepare and submit to this Synod a form of substitute oath to be used by Covenanter teachers and others required to take an oath to the Constitution.

The report on Unfinished Business was taken up.

Item 1. The Moderator to reply to a letter from the Synod of Ireland, and to write Miss F. Elma French of the Mersine Mission. Attended to.

Item 2. To complete work on the Children's Handbook. W. J. McKnight submitted the report, which was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT ON YOUNG PEOPLE'S HANDBOOK

The thought of preparing a Young People's Handbook came to birth at the Synod of 1921, and has been on its pilgrimage ever since. In 1925 Synod appointed a Committee "to

complete the rewriting of the Historical Part of the Testimony," that it might be made "the setting and groundwork for a Children's Handbook," and another Committee to "prepare and arrange additional material," such as a Handbook of the kind should contain. To the Synod of 1926 it was reported that the work was "but partially done." The most of what had been done had been printed in the **Christian Nation.** To a Committee, then appointed to report to that Synod, the work done was submitted for review. This Committee reported that it did not have "either the time or the opportunity to study these sample chapters," but was of the opinion, from the survey given, that "the portion published" served the purpose "fairly well." The Committee, however, was ordered to complete the work. In 1927 the completed manuscript was submitted to Synod, and a committee "of one minister and one elder from each Presbytery" was named to pass upon its merits. This committee of twenty-two reported that the work "of reviewing and judging the material prepared for the Handbook" was "too great" to be done in the time then at its command, and recommended its publication in the Appendix to the Minutes. It also recommended that another Committee be appointed to "study" the work in connection with the Historical Part as printed in the Appendix of the Minutes of 1926, "with a view to determining the suitableness of the whole to form the contents of the proposed book." This committee reported last year, and proposed "an entirely new draft to take the place of the original report published in the Appendix of the Minutes of 1927." Synod's action on this report left your present committee free to continue and complete its work without the necessity of any further adjustments to the work of other committees. This, in brief, is the process through which your committee's work has passed up to the present time.

During the discussions on the floor of Synod many suggestions and friendly criticisms have been made. Chief among the objections perhaps was the opinion that in certain places the matter was a trifle too intricate and ought to be simplified. Also the view was expressed by a few that parts of the work were somewhat more elaborate than they needed to be. One minister objected to a statement made in explaining the second significant act in administering the Lord's Supper. No exceptions, so far as your committee is aware, were taken at any time to the doctrinal and practical positions assumed or expounded in the book. Here at least we all seem to be of one mind and heart. The views set forth are the views of the Church.

With respect to the differences every effort has been made to take account of them all. Much has been done toward simplification. The material has been cut up into shorter paragraphs. Words with which the young people might not be familiar are either replaced by others or else are so explained as to be made easily intelligible. Your chairman tested the matter out with a class of young people. The ages ranged from eight to fifteen. Wherever he had to explain to the older ones, he concluded that the statements were not plain enough, and modified them until

they were. Still it must be kept in mind that there are parts of this Handbook—such, for example, as the explanation of the Terms of Communion—that are meant more particularly for young people between the ages of twenty and thirty. Some things are harder to make plain than others. The difficulty lies in the nature of the subject. It would seem, therefore, that your Committee has done what it can, and about all that it can, to comply with the wishes of Synod in preparing this Handbook.

In conclusion, then, since no exceptions have been taken on doctrinal or practical grounds, since nothing new has been added, since the matter has now been before the Church in printed form for almost two full years, since all the criticisms and suggestions have been weighed and utilized wherever the Committee was able to see how it could be done, and since Committees of Reviews invariably protest that they are not in position to do, in the time at their disposal, the work with which they are charged, your committee would respectfully request the Synod, if it is still of a mind to proceed with the project, to authorize the publication of the book as soon as convenient, and at the same time accord to your committee the privilege of making such minor alterations as may be needful to render such omissions and additions and corrections as have been referred to intelligible; the expense of printing and publishing to be paid from the Literary Fund.

Respectfully submitted,
W. J. McKNIGHT,
E. A. CROOKS,
PAUL COLEMAN.

Item 3. Report of representative on the Advisory Council of the American Bible Society. Through a misunderstanding, the representative, Walter McCarroll, failed to attend the meeting of the Council. His appointment was continued.

Item 4. Sending deputation to the Levant. The Foreign Board reported nothing done during the year.

Item 5. Bringing the history of the ministry to date. O. F. Thompson submitted his report. The questions asked were answered in the affirmative. The report was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BRINGING HISTORY OF COVENANTER MINISTERS UP TO DATE

Brethren:

This work has been carried forward day by day through the past year with some difficulties and daily labor.

Three hundred and thirty-three sketches have been written. About three hundred of these have been sent out to be reviewed and corrected by the subject of the sketch or near relatives. The numerous changes asked in a large number of them will

require that they be rewritten—which will take much of the spare time of the summer.

Synod will need to settle at this meeting what they want done with this material to preserve it in permanent form. Do you want photos of the Moderators?

Questions: 1. Shall the materials be published in book form? 2. Shall the Moderators' photos appear?

Respectfully submitted,
OWEN F. THOMPSON.

Item 6. Gathering Historical materials. J. B. Willson submitted the report which was adopted. The naming of one to have care of the materials collected was referred to the Committee on Nominations. The report is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON HISTORICAL MATERIALS

The chairman of the Committee to gather Historical Materials respectfully reports for the committee:

There is nothing new to be said this year. Following the action of Synod last year, directing the Board of Trustees of Synod to provide a room in the Seminary building for these materials, your chairman was notified that only two rooms were available, and that he might choose between them. Both are on the third floor, and for this and other reasons are unacceptable. .

A few pictures, framed and unframed, of Covenanter scenes and Seminary student groups, and a few bound periodicals have been placed for storage in one of these rooms.

The work assigned to your committee is important and ought to be pressed. The books and other objects which relate to the past of our Church are slipping out of reach. Your chairman earnestly requests that he be relieved of the responsibility for it.

J. B. WILLSON.

Item 7. Synod's Board of Trustees to provide a room in the Seminary Building for historical materials. A room was offered but not accepted.

Item 8. D. H. Elliott and C. A. Dodds to convey the sympathy of Synod to the family and congregation of Dr. R. C. Reed. This was done.

Item 9. Celebration of the One Hundredth Meeting of Synod. The report of the Committee to arrange the program was read by Paul Coleman, Chairman, together with letters of regret at their inability to be represented from the

Scotch and Irish Synods. Synod's Treasurer was directed to pay the expense of the Committee. The report was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CELEBRATION OF THE HUNDREDTH MEETING OF SYNOD

We regret that a misunderstanding of our duty caused long delay in sending the invitation to the Scotch and Irish Synods to have a representative here. But the invitation was sent, together with special invitations to those whose names were furnished us. We are glad that Rev. W. R. McEwen who was in our Seminary this past year will speak for his brethren.

Some material was published in the "Covenanter Witness," and a program arranged for Wednesday evening of this meeting of Synod, as follows:

To Preside—Rev. W. T. K. Thompson.
"Beginnings of our Church in America"—Rev. J. T. Mitchell
Selections from the Minutes of the 1809 Synod—Rev. J. B. Willson.
"The Formative Principle of our Church and Progress toward its Acceptance,"—Rev. W. J. Sanderson.
Letters of greetings from abroad—Rev. D. R. Taggart.
Greetings from Ireland—Rev. W. R. McEwen.
"The Growing Covenanter Map"—The Committee.
"Making our Celebration Valuable"—Rev. J. D. Edgar.
"The Spirit of the Covenanter Church"—Dr. R. J. G. McKnight.

The one hundredth meeting of Synod reminds us of two factors fundamental to these years of history between our first Synod in 1809 and this one. The first factor was loyalty to the truth contained in the covenants which led these colonists, though so few, to maintain a separate denomination that the truth for which their fathers had sacrificed so much and committed to their keeping for the Lord, might not be lost. The second factor was church building by gospel methods in the winning of men to Christ and the truth. Our present work and membership is a result of those two factors.

As a proper celebration of this centenary meeting of Synod, we recommend that each congregation and every worker in our church, in loyal appreciation of God's mercy to us through these years, cooperate with Synod's evangelistic program under the direction of J. D. Edgar, and with our other committees and boards as far as possible, in order to establish through this a new evidence of the church's loyalty to Jesus Christ. The development of evangelistic effort, of prayer power, witnessing, spiritual life, and the raising of the Budget, offer lines of progress.

Delegates are reminded that the true celebration is not in the Wednesday evening program here but in the congregations through the year. This year should be marked by a decisive forward movement.

PAUL COLEMAN,
D. R. TAGGART,
M. R. JAMESON.

Paul Coleman was requested to provide duplicates of the map exhibited by the Committee, on a smaller scale for distribution to the congregations of the church.

Item 10. Reapportionment of Synod's Budget. The committee reported as directed to the Co-ordinating Committee.

Synod adjourned with prayer by H. G. Foster.

TUESDAY FORENOON, JUNE 11, 1929.

Synod met at nine o'clock according to adjournment, was called to order by the Moderator, and constituted with prayer by J. H. Pritchard. The roll was called.

The devotional service was conducted by E. M. Elsey. The minutes of the preceding session were read and approved.

J. S. Tibby was directed to publish another edition of 2000 copies of the new Psalter, making the necessary corrections of typographical errors.

The report of the Co-ordinating Committee was taken from the table, considered item by item, adopted as a whole, and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE

At the call of J. D. Edgar the Co-ordinating Committee met in Westminster Hotel at 2 o'clock Tuesday, June 4, 1929, and held five subsequent meetings. After a season of prayer the election resulted in the choice of J. D. Edgar, chairman and Elizabeth Miller, clerk. Roll call by presbyteries showed the following representatives:

Presbytery	Minister	Elder	Deacon
Cen. Canada	F. F. Reade		
Colorado	W. Dougherty		R. G. Martin
Illinois	W. J. McBurney		
Iowa		D. R. Cummings	
Kansas	M. S. McMillan	A. M. Andrews	Elizabeth Miller
New York	J. H. Pritchard		
Ohio	H. G. Foster	Knox McKelvey	S. E. McKinney
Pacific Coast	S. Edgar		
Philadelphia	F. M. Wilson		
Pittsburgh	R. A. Blair	W. A. Russell	M. Z. Balph
Rochester	J. M. Rutherford		

The various Boards and Committees of the Church were represented by the following:

Church Erection—F. M. Wilson.
Foreign Missions—W. McCarroll.
Home Missions—J. B. Willson.
Indian Mission—No request.
Witness Committee—J. M. Coleman.
Geneva College—M. M. Pearce.
Theological Seminary—J. M. Coleman.
Board of Control—D. R. Cummings.
Woman's Association—Mrs. R. A. M. Steele.
Jewish Mission—Frank Stewart.
Synod's Board of Trustees—J. S. Tibby.

The Co-ordinating Committee makes the following recommendations:

1. That the budget for the year 1929-30 be kept at $100,000.
2. That the appropriations for the Covenanter Witness and the Department of Young People's Work and Home Resources be set up as separate items in Synod's budget and made preferred charges.
3. That all requests from boards participating in the S. Huston bequest be cut one third of the amounts received respectively from that bequest.
4. That boards receiving five thousand dollars or more from the Huston bequest be allowed to use it at their own discretion.
5. That the Budget be apportioned to the separate schemes of the church as follows:

	Appropriations stated on new basis, expense of church paper and secretary's office provided separately.	Appropriations in form like previous years.
Church Erection	No request	No request
Foreign Missions	$35,640	$39,382
Southern Mission	6,345	7,012
Home Missions	13,120	14,495
Indian Mission	No request	No request
Witness Committee	5,845	6,449
Geneva College	13,525	14,946
Theological Seminary	2,715	3,001
Students' Aid	3,160	3,493
Widows and Orphans	4,070	4,498
Ministerial Relief	2,260	2,498
Women's Association	2,010	2,222
Jewish Mission	1,810	2,002
"Covenanter Witness"	5,000	Distributed above
Department of Young People's Work and Home Resources	4,500	Distributed above
	$100,000	$100,000

A vote of thanks was extended to the Witness Committee and Geneva College board who voluntarily cut their appropri-

ation in favor of the Foreign Mission and the Women's Association.

The report of the committee appointed last year to consider the reapportionment of the budget among the presbyteries was read. They advised that they found the present allotment fair and equitable and recommended no changes. This report was adopted by the committee.

6. That the apportionment to the Presbyteries be the same as last year, which is as follows:

Central Canada	$ 550.00
Colorado	4,300.00
Illinois	5,700.00
Iowa	6,800.00
Kansas	17,100.00
New York	12,850.00
Ohio	4,800.00
Philadelphia	9,300.00
Pacific Coast	5,200.00
Pittsburgh	30,100.00
Rochester	3,300.00
	$100,000.00

Respectfully submitted,
ELIZABETH MILLER, Clerk.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was submitted by the Chairman, E. A. Crooks, and taken up item by item. Pending consideration of the items of the report, the hour for recess arrived, and Synod took recess with prayer by Elder T. D. Russell.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 11, 1929.

Synod reconvened at two p. m., was called to order by the Moderator, and opened with prayer by Elder J. Walker Wilson. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The reports of the Committees on Records of Presbyteries were called for. The Records of Central Canada, China and Pacific Coast Presbyteries were not present. The reports on all the other Records were approved and the proper entries ordered in the Record books.

Synod resumed consideration of the report of the Committee on Foreign Missions. In accordance with Item 5, the Corresponding Secretary of the Board, F. M. Wilson, made a statement with reference to the special funds in the hands of the Board. In connection with the consideration

of the report as a whole, Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Blackwood were heard with reference to their recent visit to the Missions in the Levant. The report as amended was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

There has been placed in the hands of your committee the report of the Board of Foreign Missions accompanied by the reports from the fields and the financial report of the Foreign Mission treasurer, Joseph M. Steele. The financial report has been audited and is accompanied by the auditor's certificate.

These reports show the careful handling of the funds by the treasurer. They also set before us the fact that the Board, composed of busy pastors and men of large business affairs, are giving much time and prayerful thought to this department of the church's work. We express our confidence in their management of the foreign mission enterprise of the church. We sympathize with them in the many perplexing problems that come before them in their administration, and we rejoice with them in the successes that by the blessing of the Lord come to this work.

We rejoice in the answered prayers for the return of comparative peace and quiet to the field in China. We realize that a great day of opportunity has dawned on our mission in China. Heathenism is rapidly breaking down and the opportunity presents itself as never before for a forward movement in China. We call on the church to pray and to give that this golden opopportunity may not pass by unimproved. In the Levant field we note encouraging conditions along with the difficulties that have long existed. Here there is indication of a better day.

One of the matters of interest in connection with this field was the visit to Latakia and Cyprus by Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Blackwood, at no little expense and inconvenience they turned aside from the beaten path of the Mediterranean tour to make these visits. They were greatly pleased with what they saw of the work in their brief stay in these fields. By the use of their motion picture camera they have been able to bring back vivid impressions of their visits. The pictures have been shown to the Pittsburgh Women's Presbyterial and before the joint assembly of Synod and the Women's Synodical. We commend very highly the interest that these friends have taken in this part of our foreign mission field. We commend our entire foreign mission project to the constant prayer support of the entire church, and to the sacrificial giving of our people.

The Foreign Mission Board is confronting a serious problem in regard to the return of missionaries at home on furlough, and the adequate financing of the work. They have passed this problem on to Synod with an earnest request for guidance in its solution. We embody this problem in certain resolutions that we are presenting to Synod. It is inseparably linked up with the problem of the budget of the church.

We recommend:

1. Synod reaffirms its previous action that in pro-rating

the budget bequests are not to be taken into account, and further recommends that the Co-ordinating Committee shall not hereafter take bequests into account in forming the budget.

2. We recommend that all missionaries on the roll who wish to return be retained for return to the field as fast as funds are available.

3. We recommend the careful cultivation of the missionary spirit among our young people in Sabbath Schools, Young People's Societies, Conferences and from the pulpit in order that future giving be stimulated and that recruits be forthcoming for the field when needed.

4. We authorize the Foreign Mission Board to make special appeals to individuals and to organizations over and above the budget appropriations for meeting the needs of the field, and that in the spirit of fairness a like privilege be granted to all causes represented in the budget.

5. That the Board be given the opportunity to explain to Synod their policy regarding certain unused designated funds in their possession.

6. That M. M. Pearce, T. M. Slater, R. A. Blair, Evan W. Jones, A. J. Harding, and William H. Linson, whose membership on the board has expired, be chosen their own successors.

7. That Dr. and Mrs. Esmond Smith, home on furlough, and Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Blackwood, who recently visited the Levant field, be heard in connection with the adoption of this report.

E. A. CROOKS,
GEORGE WALLACE,
J. K. ROBB,
M. S. McMILLAN,
S. M. STEELE.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS TO TO THE SYNOD OF 1929

In submitting this our annual report, the Board wishes to record praise to God for his goodness in permitting a continuation of service in this department of the Church's work. The lives of our missionaries have been spared, and a good degree of health has been graciously bestowed. Twice during the year the messenger of death visited our Board. Dr. J. C. McFeeters, who has for many years served as a member, was called home to Glory, December 24, 1928, and has entered upon his reward. He was a good and faithful member, and an ardent lover of missions and missionaries. His presence and his prayers will be greatly missed in our meetings. Elder William J. Beatty of Third New York was called home February 20, 1929. In the fewer years of his connection with the Board, Mr. Beatty endeared himself to us all. He was faithful, kind and just in all his judgments, and a devoted servant of Jesus Christ.

Since last Synod, Mr. Weir and his family, have returned to the work in Cyprus, and Mr. Hemphill, having completed his term in Larnaca, returned to America. There returned to the

field in China, Mr. and Mrs. Kempf, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Mitchel and their children, and Miss Stewart. Dr. and Mrs. Wright arrived in America on furlough soon after Synod; and the McFarlands, Miss French and Miss McCrea, Miss Edgar and Miss Dean are due to come on furlough this summer, although Miss Edgar is postponing her furlough, and expects to remain for the present in the service abroad. Dr. Smith and family, Dr. and Mrs. Wright, Dr. and Mrs. Calvin McCarroll, expect to return this summer to their respective fields, while Dr. Dickson and family remain another year in America. He is taking special courses in his profession at the Massachusetts State Infirmary. Miss McCrea has accepted appointment to return to Nicosia, after a year's furlough, to perform the duties of principal of the Girls' Academy. The Rev. R. C. Adams and family, and the Misses Barr, McCracken and Robb are still detained in the home land, because the Board has not the means to return them to the field. One main factor leading to the decision of Dr. Dickson to remain in America another year and take a remunerative position was the inability of the Board to continue him on salary and finance the return of him and his family to the field.

The Board has taken into careful and prayerful consideration the recommendation of last Synod, that all our work be placed as rapidly as possible on the self-support basis. The term "self-support" covers but a part of what the mission in China is attempting to achieve, and but a part of what the Board has chosen as the ultimate aim in all our fields, and this financial part of the undertaking is by no means the most important. The object in view in all fields is not only a self-supporting, but a self-governing, and self-propagating church. As far as financial self-support is concerned, your Board has definitely said to the Covenanter Church in China that it will expect to continue to make as the contribution of the sending church the missionaries, their support, their housing, and expenses of travel. This would leave the church in mission lands to contribute other physical properties and the support of their own local workers, and the evangelists and teachers sent out by the native church to penetrate the contiguous regions. The Board's plan of operation would call for councils, and as soon as possible Presbyteries, in which foreign missionaries and native workers and officers would cooperate on equal footing, and with equal authority. As soon as wisely possible, the foreign workers would surrender the work in any given district into the hands of the native church, and move on into new and unoccupied territories. Since last Synod the Board has availed itself of every opportunity for conference with furloughed missionaries in the study of this problem, and has counseled with them in devising plans for putting this method of missionary work into successful operation. We have already taken action directing the missions in the Levant to organize such councils that the work there may be placed on the basis of self-support and cooperative control. Thus we are anticipating the time when the Church in the Levant may become self-controlled and self-propagating. In the hope of promoting this policy in China, the Board as long ago

as June, at the first meeting after Synod, voted to open a new field in Northern Japan or Manchuria. But, while we have the missionaries in readiness to go, some of them now employed in work other than that to which they have devoted their lives, missionaries who could be used in new fields more advantageously than in territories now occupied, we were very soon made to realize that for lack of funds we could not proceed. We come to Synod with our treasury overdrawn more than $6,400. And there the project stands. And there we feel it must continue to stand until Synod definitely instructs the Board what to do. The Board is the servant of the Synod and of the Church. The supreme desire of both the church and the Board is to be the servants of our Lord who commissioned us to the world mission of Christianity. With reference to the added responsibility now being laid upon the Church in mission fields, the Board takes no credit for the development of this somewhat new method of prosecuting our work. To missionaries is due this credit. But the Board has sought to catch the vision and the spirit of these forward-looking and discerning and unselfish missionaries. The Board has sought to catch up the conception and present it to the Church. The Board has made an honest effort to present through the columns of our Church paper the present crisis both in our work and in the lives of our missionaries devoted and trained to this work. The Board has cordially invited the leaders of our Church to give earnest consideration to the present complex situation, to the end that Synod this year may definitely instruct the Board what policy to pursue for the future. For we feel it should be clearly understood that the Board's primary object in favoring the formation of councils for cooperation and self-support is not to save money, nor to transfer money from one field to another field now occupied, but ultimately to develop the spiritual life of the native church members, and bring them as rapidly as possible to the spiritual state that will enable them to take their places in their churches in full cooperation with the missionaries to the end that they may soon become self-governing and self-propagating churches. Thus our foreign missionaries would be released to press onward into the regions beyond. Nor do we judge that our American church wishes or proposes to develop its plans for foreign missions with a view to saving itself from the necessity of raising as large sums of money as have been raised in the past. We doubt whether the Church will want to save money at the expense of denying the gospel to the pagan world. On the contrary, we have the faith to believe that the Church will want a foreign mission program calling for more liberal giving and a larger sacrifice for this primary object of its life.

Be this as it may, we are confronted with the situation that we cannot by present methods secure the funds to support all the workers on our payroll, much less restore to active service those on our titular roll. Both these facts would remain the same if the Budget of Synod had been raised in full. In seeking from Synod a solution for our problems it is only fair to all concerned to say that the Board felt until the last few years that it was receiving its proportionate share of Synod's

Budget as administered. But since the Board's allotted share of the Budget is not sufficient to support all our present missionary force, we request Synod this year to give the Board specific instruction as to the future. On what scale does the Church wish this work maintained? This request calls for specific and definite instruction as to either retaining or dismissing such a portion of our missionaries as can no longer be supported on the resources available; or for some plan to secure additional resources. Careful study of the situation has led the Board to submit for Synod's consideration the following as some of the possible alternatives open to the Church. Synod may be able to offer some entirely different and better solution:

1. The Board, as a venture of faith, could send out all the present corps of missionaries, trusting that funds would be forthcoming.

2. If Synod should instruct the Board to do this, the Synod should also grant permission to appeal for funds over and above the Budget for their support.

3. If Synod should not approve such an appeal, the Board will be obliged to dismiss a part of our missionary force. And under such a decision the Board could make no appeals to our young people to take up the foreign mission service.

4.. If Synod approve such an appeal, the Board would send out the workers only as the necessary funds become available.

5. If Synod instructs the Board to retain all our missionaries for return to the field, but not of a public appeal for funds, would Synod permit the Board through appeals other than public to secure their support by individuals or groups?

6. If in Synod's view none of these proposals is satisfactory, the Board asks Synod this year to provide a solution for the Board's problems.

Other items for Synod's information or action are the following:

1. In view of our heavy deficit we have asked the Co-ordinating Committee to grant this department the sum of $45,000 in Synod's Budget; and we hope Synod will vote that sum. It should be recalled that the appropriation to Foreign Missions has been materially cut down within the past five or six years. In 1923 the appropriation was $52,000 in a Budget of $115,000. In 1924 the Budget was fixed at $100,000, and of that total $45,000 were appropriated to this work. The next year with Synod's Budget the same, Foreign Missions were allotted $42,-300. Since 1925 with Synod's Budget remaining each year $100,000, this cause has sustained gradual reductions in the apportionment until last year the sum named was but $39,300. The Board does not wish to be understood as asking Synod to take any action that will reduce the receipts of any other department in the Budget. We do ask Synod to consider whether the appropriation to Foreign Missions could be restored to $45,000, without impairing the receipts for other causes; and we request that the appropriations for the Covenanter Witness and the department of home resources and young people's work be set up as separate items in Synod's budget, so that no appropriation

in the Budget shall be subjected to an assessment for such general expenses.

2. A question concerning the granting of divorce has been submitted by Rev. Mr. Caskey of Cyprus. The Board transmits the paper asking that the question and paper be referred to the Committee on Discipline.

3. The Board has prepared a program for the biennial conference on Missions Friday evening, June 6.

4. The time for which M. M. Pearce, T. M. Slater, R. A. Blair, Evan W. Jones, A. J. Harding and Wm. H. Linson, were chosen to membership on the Board has expired. Synod should choose their successors.

5. Walter McCarroll was appointed to represent the Board before the Co-ordinating Committee, and the Corresponding Secretary on the floor of Synod.

6. General reports from each field are herewith submitted with the suggestion that Synod may wish to have the Committee on Foreign Missions prepare summaries of them to be printed in the minutes of Synod; and direct the printing of the entire reports in early issues of the Covenanter Witness.

In behalf of the Board,
FINDLEY M. WILSON, Corresponding Secretary.

J. H. Pritchard was added to the Board of Foreign Missions.

Chas. T. Carson submitted the report on the licensure of students of theology at the end of their first year in the Seminary. The report was adopted and is as follows:

To the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America:

The Board of Home Missions respectfully requests that action be taken by Synod on the following recommendation made by the Board at its meeting on March 18, 1929.

"That in view of the urgent need of laborers in vacant congregations of the Church and the measure of preparation for the ministry already attained by the theological students of the first year, and the value to them of working in the congregations, as a further contribution to their preparation for the work for which they are fitting themselves, Synod authorize their licensure by their respective Presbyteries at the close of the first year." J. B. WILLSON, Secretary.

Your special committee to which this paper was referred would respectfully report that after careful examination we recommend that the request be granted and that the Synod authorize such action.

C. T. CARSON,
E. A. CROOKS,
J. G. McELHINNEY,
T. A. HENDERSON,
ROBT. M. RAMBO.

The following resolution offered by R. W. Redpath was adopted:

Resolved, That Synod's stated clerk, clerks of Presbyteries and congregations make a separate column in their statistical reports of all funds for the support of the work of the church given through special appeals.

The report of the Committee on National Reform was read by Walter McCarroll, and considered item by item. The President of the Association, R. H. Martin, was heard in its behalf. The report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL REFORM

Your committee on National Reform would respectfully report:

The report of the Covenanter Members of the Board of Directors, with cash statement of receipts and disbursements of the Association, were the only papers placed in our hands.

This report has been considered by your committee and the following points noted.

The rather far-reaching changes planned last year have been successfully carried out under handicaps that would daunt the stoutest-hearted. The new research bureau has made a good beginning. The Christian Statesman in its new form is reaching a wider constituency at less cost than ever before. The field work with a staff of ten persons has been prosecuted with vigor. A legislative program in behalf of Sabbath laws and Bible reading in public schools has met with considerable success. The greatest difficulty has been met in the way of securing adequate financial support, but the new method and program are meeting with growing sympathy and interest.

This is an agency in the sphere of Christian citizenhip in and through which Christian sentiment can be mobilized and directed against any specific evil or in behalf of any movement for righteousness. It is deserving of the hearty co-operation of the congregations and members of our church.

We recommend:

I. That Synod approves the continued employment of R. H. Martin in the conduct of the work of the Association.

II. That the sum of $10,000 be named as a guide to our people in giving to this cause; and that on the first Sabbath of November our pastors preach on this cause and that a collection be taken in its behalf.

III. That people of means be urged to give serious consideration to the claims of the National Reform Association in distributing their money set aside for benevolences.

IV. That our pastors and others be urged to co-operate

with the Association wherever possible in carrying out its program.

Respectfully submitted,
WALTER McCARROLL,
J. M. COLEMAN,
FRANK H. LATHOM,
M. W. BAIRD,
J. WALKER WILSON.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NATIONAL REFORM ASSOCIATION

To the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church:

For the past year the work of the National Reform Association may be grouped under the following heads: research, literature, field work, legislation and finance.

Research: A good beginning has been made in establishing a Bureau of Research to secure reliable and up to date information along the lines of National Reform work. We have on file in our office the Sabbath laws of all the states of the United States, many court decisions interpreting the same and many valuable court opinions giving the basis for civil Sabbath laws; also the laws, court decisions, opinions of Attorney Generals and superintendents of schools, regarding the use of the Bible in the public schools; also some materials on other subjects such as prohibition, international peace and the relation of our state governments to Christianity.

Literature: The Christian Statesman is our chief means of reaching the people with our message by the printed page. It is sent to all who contribute to the support of the Association's work in addition to those who subscribe to it directly. A number of issues each year are devoted to one subject. This past year special issues have been put out on the Sabbath, public education, prohibition, the Michigan campaign for the use of the Bible in the schools, the family and international peace. Each month a clip sheet is published in which are brought together the best brief articles from the Statesman. This clip sheet is sent to about 700 religious and secular newspapers. We have evidence that articles from this clip sheet are reproduced by many papers.

During the year we have published and distributed leaflets on most phases of National Reform. New leaflets are as follows: "Prohibition Can Be Enforced;" "The State and Religion and Morality;" "The Bible in the Public Schools—History and Present Practice;" "Shall We Give the Children a Fighting Chance?" "Presidential Campaign Considerations;" "Prohibition Poster;" "Shall the World's Greatest Book be Kept out of American School Rooms?"; "Our Enlarged Program and the National Reform Association." In one month, 80,000 pages of literature on Sabbath observance were sent out. Three million pages of literature were distributed within the year, and 75,000 personal letters sent to 25,000 people with enclosures on various phases of National Reform.

Field Work: Ten persons have been employed in the Association's field work. For thirteen years Mrs. Lulu Loveland Shepherd has spoken for the Association on Mormonism. She has reached, during this time, a million people from the platform with her message, and several times that number through the literature she has distributed and the newspaper publicity given her meetings. She continues her work with unabating zeal and consecration.

Dr. Flemming, our specialist on the Bible in the public schools, has rendered excellent service in the Michigan campaign. Prof. Dickason, specially gifted in speaking to young people, has reached many thousands in high schools and young people's conferences. Dr. Swift, veteran in the cause of reform, usually speaks on the fundamental principles and work of the Association and the President of the Association has spoken frequently on "Christ and Government" before ministerial associations and in churches. Last summer more than fifty lectures were delivered by representatives of the Association from the Winona Lake Platform.

Our Association co-operated with some thirty other organizations to secure dry planks in party platforms and the nomination of dry candidates for president and vice-president of the United States and in the discussion of the moral issues of the Presidential campaign.

Legislation: We have also been active in campaigns in which Sabbath Legislation and legislation on behalf of the Bible in the public schools were involved. We received and sent on to Congress petitions representing 500,000 persons on behalf of the passage of the Lankford Sunday Rest Bill for the District of Columbia. This bill failed to pass, but the fight for a Sabbath law for our National Capital will be renewed when the regular session of the present Congress convenes. We have also aided in the defeat of bills to break down the Sabbath laws of a number of our states. Much work has been done within the past year on behalf of legislation for the reading of the Bible in the public schools. Through literature and counsel, assistance has been given in the following states where bills for daily Bible reading in the schools were before the legislature: Missouri, Wisconsin, Illinois, Ohio, and Arkansas. In Illinois, where the campaign was led by Dr. J. M. Wylie until his death, our Association closely cooperated and has been asked to assume leadership. Our greatest effort was put forth in Michigan where a conference on Religion and Morals in Public Education was held, and a bill introduced into the legislature for Bible reading, nonsectarian Bible teaching, and release time for week day religious instruction. Our Association expended much time and about $4,400 in the campaign for the passage of this bill. While the bill was defeated by a narrow margin in the House, great progress was made in the movement to secure the use of the Bible in the schools of the state. A Michigan citizens' committee, of forty members, on the Bible in the schools, which cooperated with our association in the campaign, voted to continue their co-operation and an educational campaign to con-

tinue for the next two years is already under way to prepare for the introduction of a similar bill into the legislature two years hence.

Finances: The financial statement submitted with this report shows the total amount of the receipts and expenditures for the year. Several causes have combined to make this a difficult year to secure funds for this work, among which are church budgets and the financial stringency of the times. Special mention should be made of the fact that a dear friend of this cause in Pittsburgh, a number of the members of the Board of Directors, and a few other friends have this year contributed liberally to the support of the Association, and made possible the carrying out of the somewhat enlarged program as outlined above. We are grateful to God for their liberality.

During the year the Association has suffered great loss in the removal of a number of its able and loyal supporters. Dr. R. C. Wylie, veteran national reformer, who for a period of nearly fifty years was one of the great leaders of the Association; Dr. J. M. Foster, for some years a secretary of the Association and all his ministerial life an able advocate of this cause, and Dr. J. M. Wylie, closely associated with the Association's work for many years, have all been called to their heavenly reward; also Elders J. D. McAnlis and R. N. Redpath, both ardent friends and liberal supporters of this cause, the latter the last surviving charter member of the Association.

The work of the coming year will be along the same general lines as that of the past year. Our great objectives from year to year remain practically the same, for our great purpose is to bring the nation and its government into willing and loyal subjection to its Saviour-King. The Association is not merely one among many reform organizations laboring to accomplish some particular reform. It seeks the complete Christianization of the nation itself while it also labors for individual reforms on a Christian basis. In this Association all friends from every church who believe that Christ is Saviour-King of Nations, can stand and work together to bring this nation to own Him as such and do His will.

Space will permit the mention here of only two items in our program. A series of more than forty lectures will be given this summer at the Winona Lake Assembly. We plan for large things in our Bible in the Schools program. More than half the youth of America are today growing up in spiritual illiteracy. The church is unable to reach this half with instruction in morals and religion. These are the source of practically all the lawlessness and crime of our country. To solve this national problem we must reach these millions of spiritual illiterates with adequate training in morals and the fundamentals of religion, and the only place they can be reached is in our public schools. Our Association is the pioneer and leader in the movement to restore the Bible to the public schools of America. We believe the situation we are facing regarding lawlessness and crime calls for a forward movement by our Association to have the Bible read, and its moral truths taught with religious sanctions, in the public schools throughout our

country. If as President Hoover has indicated, the crime wave is due to a "subsidence of the foundations" the reorganization of our law enforcement machinery alone will not solve the problem. We must get under the situation with an adequate program of moral and religious training that will reach all the youth of the land.

The methods by which we undertake to carry forward our work we must be ready to adapt to the rapidly changing conditions of our life. Since the coming of the radio and the movie it is more difficult to secure attendance upon reform lectures, especially on week nights. We need the ingenuity and wisdom of the Old Testament prophets to get a hearing for our message.

Nor can we secure financial support for this work by the methods of former days alone. The time was when the funds to carry forward this work could be secured largely from contributions received at meetings at which our speakers gave our message. This can be done no longer. More and more we must get support in other ways: by getting on church budgets, by solicitation, by letter, and especially by personal interview with persons of means who will make contributions, not of five and ten dollars, but of hundreds and thousands of dollars. This situation makes our work peculiarly difficult. To meet these changing conditions we need the wisdom that comes down from above.

In view of this situation we especially need the prayers, and the moral and financial support of the Reformed Presbyterian Church. This cause has always been dear to the heart of the Covenanter Church. Never were the message and the work of the Association more needed than today. We believe God has commissioned this Association to do the work set before it, and that it affords the Covenanter Church an agency through which she can reach, with a message dear to her heart, millions she would otherwise be unable to reach.

We recommend:

I. That Synod approves the continued employment of R. H. Martin in the conduct of the work of the Association.

II. That the sum of $10,000, the same amount as asked for last year, be named as a guide to our people in giving to this cause this year.

III. That persons of means in our church be recommended to give liberally to this cause.

IV. That pastors and others be urged to co-operate with the Association in carrying forward its program in their communities wherever possible.

Respectfully submitted,
R. H. MARTIN.

NATIONAL REFORM ASSOCIATION—YEAR ENDING OCTOBER, 1928—CASH STATEMENT

Receipts

Interest on Daily Balances	$ 21.54
Ellis Book Sales	34.55
Manual Sales	44.53

Manual Contributions	478.41	
Wm. A. Brown Bequest	373.84	
Special Contributions	1,763.93	
McFarland Account	1,447.25	
Dividends	2,338.00	
		$ 6,502.05
Current Receipts		37,780.69
Money Borrowed		4,000.00
		$48,282.74
Balance on hand, November 1, 1927		365.74
		$48,648.48

Disbursements

Interest on Loans	$ 489.16	
Returned Checks	13.25	
Manual Printing	535.07	
Organization and Publicity	600.00	
McFarland Account	1,734.04	
		$ 3,371.52
Current Expenses		$45,892.32
		$49,263.84
Overdraft October 31, 1928		615.36
		$48,648.48

A scriptural message to the Synod from Dr. R. Esmond Smith was delivered by his brother, Alvin W. Smith.

J. S. Martin submitted the report of the Committee on Substitute Oath. The report was adopted and is as follows:

FORM OF MODIFICATION OF THE CIVIL OATH

Your committee respectfully reports the following considerations and recommendations with regard to how the usual form of oath to the constitution may be changed to make it such as a Covenanter can consistently take.

A modification such as "acknowledging the Lord Jesus Christ," if attached to the "I. A. B.," with which the oath begins, is likely to have the effect of declaring the individual's allegiance to Christ, but does not limit the thing sworn to.

A modification attached to the words "do swear" suggests that the difficulty lies in taking oaths, but does not limit the thing sworn to.

A modification of the words "to maintain, support, and defend," or similar words, is likely to be open to the interpretation only the methods of supporting whatever is sworn to, not to that one accepts the thing to be supported but wishes to limit limit the thing supported. But the chief issue is the thing supported, not how the support shall be given.

A modification of the statement of the thing to be supported usually, "the Constitution of the United States and the constitution of the state of_____, and the laws made in pursuance thereof" is in danger of being limited to the last thing mentioned, "the laws," not including the more fundamental and controlling thing, "the constitution."

The following form seems to cover fully all these difficulties:

I, A. B., do solemnly swear to maintain, support and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of_____, and all laws made in pursuance thereof, **so far as these constitutions and laws are in accord with the moral law of Jesus Christ.** So help me God."

Of this modification the words "so far" modify the words "maintain, support and defend" or other words used in their stead, and so limit the manner and methods of support.

The further words of the modification making it "so far as these constitutions and laws are in accord with the moral law of Jesus Christ," limit the support by limiting the thing to be supported. Thus both manner of support and nature of the thing supported are limited to the bounds of the moral laws of Jesus Christ.

The brief form "**Subject** to the moral law of Jesus Christ" has the advantage of brevity, but allows a question as to whether it adds a limitation or only a description. An undoubted limitation is indispensable.

We make the following recommendations:

I. That persons having to modify an oath be warned that any modification of the oath should be put at the end of the words referring to the constitution and laws to be supported.

II. That the form "so far as these constitutions and laws are in accord with the moral law of Jesus Christ. So help me God," be recommended as the clearest statement for explaining one's intentions; but that where this fuller form is not practical, the next best and sufficiently explicit form be used as follows: "so far as in accord with the moral law of Jesus Christ."

J. S. MARTIN,
GEO. S. COLEMAN,
T. C. McKNIGHT,
J. WALKER WILSON,
T. D. RUSSELL.

J. H. Pritchard submitted the report on the Church Paper, with a financial statement attached. The report was adopted and is as follows:

THE COVENANTER WITNESS

Last year, Synod entered upon what was, for her, an entirely novel experiment, the publication of a weekly paper under her control and for whose financial support the Church is responsible. An editor, together with an advisory board of three associate

editors, was elected. His salary was set at $1,600. The sum of $5,000 was set apart to supplement the income of the paper from all other sources. The name, size, and general policy of the paper was to be decided by the advisory board.

The enterprise was undertaken with some uncertainty. Doubts and questioning found lodgement in many minds. Those responsible for the conduct of the enterprise were uncertain as to the measure of support the paper would receive. They decided to proceed carefully in an endeavor to produce as nearly adequate a publication as the support received would justify. But they determined to play safe. A deficit at the close of the year was to be avoided, and has been avoided. To that end, Mrs. J. W. Pritchard was induced to discontinue the publication of the Christian Nation. The Foreign Mission Board discontinued the publication of Olive Trees. The subscription list of each publication was transferred to the management of the new paper. These two lists were combined to form the new subscription list. The new publication was named "The Covenanter Witness." The paper was issued in twelve pages, the same number of pages as were published by the Christian Nation, but of smaller page size. The page size chosen is the page size rapidly becoming standard for religious weeklies. For this standardization of page size, there are several adequate reasons.

Improvements have been made from time to time, as the support received has seemed to justify them. Members of the Foreign Mission Board have underwritten the expense of the cover that has been added to the monthly missionary number to date. This support has come from the members of the Board and not from mission funds. It has made possible the issuance of a sixteen page paper once a month. Another improvement made has been in the quality of the paper used in the publication of the paper. The editor has been embarrassed for lack of space. Twelve pages do not provide sufficient space to print all that should find a place in our Church publication. Frequently, much material that has eventually found a place in the paper has been long delayed because of lack of space. It would appear to be the part of wisdom to increase the number of pages to sixteen each week. There is a general demand for an enlargement. There has been such a demand from the beginning. But the Church has graciously awaited the outcome of the experiment to learn if such an enlargement were financially possible. We appreciate such gracious forbearance in this and in other matters. We believe that, with continued and perhaps a little increased support, such an enlargement is feasable.

If we are to judge from the character of the comments, written and spoken, that have reached us, the Covenanter Witness is growing in popularity throughout the Church. The launching of a new enterprise is apt to quicken criticism. And early criticism of the paper ran true to form. Moreover, the Covenanter Witness is not a private organ, voicing any one body of opinion. The management has felt itself to be, in some measure at least, under the requirement laid down by Synod some years since when, in voting $5,000 to the Christian Nation

for the year, it stipulated that articles of merit, written by members of the Church in good standing, and which represented any considerable body of opinion within the Church, should be published. The management has not always been in full sympathy with the matter published; our readers have not been in the heartiest accord, and criticism had not been lacking. As long as the publication receives thoughtful reading by reasoning people, criticism, favorable and unfavorable, will be aroused. Difference of opinion, and kindly, constructive criticism are marks of mental and moral development, and helpful means to that end.

The management returns thanks to God for His kindly care, and implores His continued blessing. It finds delight in the confidence that the King has been pleased to employ the Covenanter Witness in the business of the kingdom. It expresses its gratitude to the Church for the support that, during this first year of the new enterprise, has not been lacking. It entreats continued forbearance and growing support for the years to come. The effectiveness of the publication, under God's blessing, will depend upon the character of the material submitted for publication, and upon the support, moral and financial, that is received from the Church. For this coming year, the management will need the continuance of the $5,000 voted annually for a similar purpose for some years past.

JOHN H. PRITCHARD,
D. H. ELLIOTT,
FINDLEY. M. WILSON,
W. J. COLEMAN.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE COVENANTER WITNESS

July 1, 1928—May 1, 1929.

Receipts:		
J. S. Tibby, Treasurer	$5,000.00	
Advertisements	256.34	
Subscriptions	2,884.28	
Miscellaneous	46.94	
Total		$8,187.56
Expenditures:		
Electrotypes	$ 16.05	
Paper for Covenanter Witness	678.53	
Printing, binding, mailing	3,456.00	
Stationery	9.50	
Postage	36.52	
Office supplies	18.19	
Telegrams	.78	
Telephone	2.75	
Salary	1,600.00	
Travel	92.08	
Miss McConnell, 11 months	187.00	

Publication of Christian Nation till July 1, 1928	500.00	
Back subscriptions to Christian Nation	280.75	
Miscellaneous	23.09	
Total		$6,901.24
Balance		$1,286.32

This is to certify that I have examined the books of The Covenanter Witness, together with the bank account, and find the above a correct statement of the accounts.

FRANK H. LATHOM.

The report of the Woman's Association was submitted by Mrs. Agnes E. Steele, who was granted ten minutes in which to present the needs of the Aged Peoples Home. It was directed that the contributions received on the Annual Donation Day should no longer be counted in the Budget. The report was adopted and is as follows:

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN HOME FOR THE AGED

To the Moderator and other members of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America.

Dear Fathers and Brethren: We herewith submit to you the report of the Board of Managers of the Home for the Aged.

In submitting to you this, our thirty-second annual report, we desire to record our gratitude to Our Heavenly Father for the evident manifestation of His loving kindness to The Home for the Aged, and the members of that home during the year that is just closed. The health of the members has been surprisingly good, and, although on account of the epidemic that was prevalent for several weeks, many in the active walks of life were taken away from their earthly tasks; not one death occurred in the Home from that cause. Mrs. Belle Boggs, whose entrance to the Home was reported last year, and who was not in good health when admitted, died July 28th, 1928.

The health of the Managers has been good and the attendance at monthly meetings is worthy of especial commendation.

The Home lost a faithful and deeply interested friend in the passing from this life of Dr. R. C. Wylie, Senior Professor in our Seminary, and husband of our first vice-president. Dr. Wylie was always a welcome visitor, and his able exposition of the love of God, when he preached at the home will long be remembered.

Your officers and managers occasionally hear remarks of a critical nature concerning the carrying on of the work at The Home, and the relation of this work to the entire church.

In certain portions of the church the idea seems to prevail that the Home is an activity of this area and that the church at large is not concerned with it. Intimations have been made that the work of the women engaged in this undertaking is not wholly without recompense.

Your Board of Managers recommends that no opportunity be neglected to impress upon Covenanters everywhere that this is a responsibility resting upon the entire church, and that the managers devote their time and effort without compensation.

No new members have been admitted since our last report.

The report of the Donation Secretary will give ample proof of the affection and interest of those who are aware of the excellent manner in which this task is being carried forward, and the menu and other details are the better for this thoughtfulness. The Board takes this opportunity to express gratitude to those who contributed during the year, or at the time set apart for receiving donations.

Again we call attention to the charming practice of various persons and organizations who visit the Home and entertain the members, thus adding greatly to their pleasure.

The Sabbath school class of which Mr. John Crawford Park is the teacher repeated their visit of last year, and their effort was greatly appreciated. Another comeback was the Women's Missionary Society of Central Pittsburgh congregation. Also, The Young People's Society of Allegheny congregation spent an evening in which they presented a playlet. The Lucille Tuttle Girls Club gave a very pleasing performance and in addition presented each member with a beautiful rose. Let us commend the example of these friends to others. The pleasure will not all be on one side we may assure you.

Following the example set last year, Dr. D. H. Elliott, pastor of Central Pittsburgh congregation, on the day upon which his congregation celebrated The Lord's Supper, visited the Home with his assistant, Dr. E. L. McKnight, and his elders; and the sacrament was dispensed to those who were unable to leave the home.

Preaching services were conducted by the following: Rev. W. C. McClurkin, Rev. C. A. Dodds, Rev. A. A. Wylie, Dr. D. H. Elliott and Licentiate, Mr. Bubbett. Interesting addresses were given by Dr. Kate McBurney and Dr. E. J. M. Dickson, each discussed conditions in our foreign field.

The annual Thanksgiving service was under the care of Rev. R. W. Piper. The Board wishes to express to these brethren the gratitude of the managers as well as of the members of The Home.

More than passing notice should be given to the supervision of the mid-week prayermeeting which Mr. L. C. McWilliams has given for many years. Due to his oversight and the assistance of the brethren living in the neighborhood, many who would be otherwise deprived, enjoy this privilege.

The following have joined the roll of Life Membership which is open to all members of The Reformed Presbyterian Church who contribute twenty-five dollars to the Home at one time, or who are designated for that honor by some other contributor:

Miss Eva M. Thompson, by her own contribution; Mrs. T. H. Boyd by the courtesy of Mr. Boyd; Mrs. John M. Allen by the generosity of her daughters, the Misses Isabel and Margaret Allen; Mrs. Robert A. M. Steele, by the thoughtfulness of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Calderwood; Mrs. J. A. McCullough, by her own contribution; Mrs. Emma Woessner, by her friend, Miss Mary R. McGaw; while Miss Jessie Mayne Fisher was started on the right road by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Fisher. There is room and opportunity for others in this field also.

Notwithstanding the strain placed upon them by the prevalent epidemic, Drs. McNaugher, Martin, Brown, Leacock, and Hook of our medical staff, and Dr. Russell, our dental surgeon were ever prompt in responding to calls for their services, and untiring in their efforts to relieve distress. We heartily thank them for their splendid services.

Excepting those in constant contact with the management of an institution of this nature, few have any idea of the number and variety of problems that require the attention of the matron. The health of the members, the condition of the halls and rooms, the providing and preparing of proper food are but a few of the matters that demand constant attention.

Your Board therefore, desires to commend the service rendered by our worthy matron, Mrs. Annie E. McKittrick, as evidence of her eminent fitness as an economical manager and as an executive qualified for the management of a home of this character.

Recognizing that all we attempt would fail without the blessing of Him who maketh rich, and conscious that whatever of success we have attained in past years has been because of His presence and blessing, we express our sincere thanks to Him and look forward to the tasks of the coming years with the assurance of those who have tasted His Goodness.

Respectfully submitted,

The Board of Managers of the R. P. Home for the Aged,

MRS. T. H. MARTIN, Secretary.

P. J. McDonald read the report of the Committee on Finance, which was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Your Committee on Finance would respectfully report:

Money is a master. Money is a servant. If we live to get it it gets us and binds us as the Philistines bound Samson to grind its sordid grist. If we are its consecrated stewards it becomes a most faithful servant which brings its users the blessing of the Master. "Who then is that faithful and wise steward whom his lord shall make ruler of his household?"

The Treasurers of our Boards are entrusted with the management of nearly two millions of dollars. Their faithful devotion to their stewardship is not to lay up treasure on earth but to carry on the work of the Church and so advance the Kingdom of our Lord.

This year of 1929 they have turned in the account of their stewardship. The following requests and papers have come into our hands.

I. A request that the Synod send with its compliments a copy of the Docket to each of the missionaries in the field.

II. The printing and sale of the Minutes of Synod for 1928.

III. The financial report of the Literary Fund.

IV. Report of the Board of Control.

V. The resignation of D. Bruce Martin from the Board of Control.

VI. The report of the Reformed Presbyterian Woman's Association.

VII. The report of the Board of Foreign Missions: Four papers.

VIII. Report of Synod's Board of Trustees.

All the financial accounts were audited as provided by the law of the church except the items of the sale of the Minutes of Synod of 1928 and the Literary fund, which were signed by the treasurer, J. S. Tibby.

We recommend:

I. That Synod send with its compliments a copy of the docket to each of the missionary workers in the field.

II. That Remo I. Robb be appointed to succeed D. Bruce Martin, resigned, upon the Board of Control and that J. P. Baird and David Cummings succeed themselves upon the same Board.

III. That F. M. Foster, F. M. Wilson, and Evan W. Jones succeed themselves on the Board of Church Erection.

IV. That the Clerk cast the ballot of Synod for the names of John M. Allen, William Blair, and Oliver Wylie to succeed themselves on Synod's Board of Trustees.

V. That the following disposition be made of the items referred to us in the S. J. Huston bequest.

Southern Mission—$6,000 be placed in the current account, Ministerial Relief—$6,000 be placed in the current account, Aged People's Home—$6,000 be placed in the current account, China Mission—$9,000 be placed in the current account, Syrian Mission—$10,500 be placed in the current account.

That Messrs. Tibby and Blair represent the Board of Trustees on the floor of Synod.

VI. We regret to note that many of the funds, such as Student's Aid, Ministerial Aid, Widows and Orphans fund, Literary Fund, Geneva College, Home Missions, Southern Missions report an overdraft. But in many instances the overdraft is less than a year ago. We recommend that the various departments be kept as nearly as possible within the limits of the means at their disposal. We also recommend that pastors and congregational boards keep the needs of these various departments of the church's work before the minds of the congregations and urge to greater liberality.

Signed,
P. J. McDONALD,
REMO I. ROBB,
W. O. FERGUSON,
O. L. SAMSON,
S. J. CARLISLE,
D. CUMMINGS.

In acordance with Item IV of the report, the Clerk of Synod cast the unanimous ballot of Synod for John M. Allen, William Blair and Oliver Wylie to be their own successors on Synod's Board of Trustees for the term beginning June 15, 1929, and ending June 15, 1932.

To the Moderator and Members of the Reformed Presbyterian Synod:

Dear Brethren—Thankful to the Lord for His many blessings to us during the past years, we submit our annual report, together with that of your Treasurer, for the year ending April 1, 1929.

REPORT OF SYNOD'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Following the Instructions of Synod

The historical society was granted the use of certain rooms on the third floor of the Memorial building.

Negotiations are in progress for the sale of the Ray, Ind. church to the Methodist Episcopal congregation for $650.00 cash.

Nothing has been done, as yet, by local authorities, to organize a cemetery association at Ray, Ind.

The Following Bequests were Received

Eliza A. Sloan of Belle Center, O., $3,653.80, the income to assist needy Seniors in Geneva College, contemplating entering the Reformed Presbyterian Seminary.

W. Alexander Brown of Philadelphia, Pa, the balance of his estate, $747.68 for China Mission and $373.84 for the Aged People's Home.

Miss Martha Cannon of Denver, Col., $100.00 for Geneva College.

In memory of Rev. R. H. Wallace, the income of $500.00 for Foreign Missions.

The Samuel J. Huston estate of Sharon, Iowa, congregation: Indian Mission $1,500.00, Geneva College $1,500.00, Theological Seminary $3,000.00, Jewish Mission $3,000.00, Home Missions, $4,500.00, Southern Mission $6,000.00, Aged People's Home $6,000.00, Ministerial Relief $6,000.00, China Mission $9,000.00, Syrian Mission $10,500.00, a total of $51,000.00 and a grand total of $56,375.32. The disposition to Endowment or Current Accounts of items over $5,000.00 is at the disposal of Synod.

After careful consideration, the Foreign Mission Board reported it unwise to use the Henry O'Neill bequest of $37,079.20 for the erection and maintenance of educational buildings in China. At the suggestion of the O'Neill heirs and with the approval of the Foreign Mission Board this fund was credited to Geneva College Endowment the income to provide national speakers at Geneva College to stimulate interest in foreign mission work.

The total income of the office was $80,039.26, of this amount $75,231.38 was from mortgages and $4,807.88 from stocks. Our books show:

Mortgages of $1,123.750.38, an increase of	$32,588.35
Stocks of $103,250.00, a decrease of	100.00
Annuities of $89,704.98, an increase of	2,500.00
Private Investments of $13,681.92, an increase of	500.00
General Endowments of $1,072,547.87, an increase of	52,014.08

A dividend of five and one half per cent on invested funds was declared and the balance credited to Contingent fund.

The books and accounts of your treasurer were audited by H. R. Ferguson, Public Auditor and found correct.

James S. Tibby, with William Blair as alternate, was appointed to represent the Board on the floor of Synod.

For Synodical Action

The terms of Messrs. John M. Allen, William Blair and Oliver Wylie as members of the Board expire June 15th, 1929. Their successors should be elected by ballot.

Disposition of the following items of Samuel J. Huston Bequest:

Southern Mission—$6,000.00 endowment or current account, Ministerial Relief—$6,000 endowment or current account, Aged People's Home—$6,000.00 endowment or current account, China Mission—$9,000.00 endowment or current account, Syrian Mission—$10,500.00 endowment or current account.

Respectfully submitted,
JAMES S. TIBBY, Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Surplus Funds

Real Estate	$278,000.00
Buildings	641,200.00
Furniture and fixtures	50,225.00
General Stocks and Bonds	103,250.00
General Annuity Stocks and Bonds	12,100.00
General Annuities in cash	77,604.98
Invested funds, outsiders	13,681.92
Bequests in abeyance	430.12

Endowment Funds

Geneva College	$656,241.30
Theological Seminary	71,405.42
Mrs. M. E. and Eda S. E. McKee for China	16,000.00
Theological Students	16,876.88
Ministerial Relief	25,985.42
Foreign Missions	82,675.95
Syrian Mission	7,020.54
China Mission	2,937.50
Rev. David and Mrs. M. E. McKee	10,000.00
Mrs. Eda S. E. McKee	6,500.00
Home Mission	66,252.50

Southern Mission	8,447.95
Indian Mission	4,138.54
Jewish Mission	2,333.32
Witness Work	2,883.34
Aged People's Home	9,200.00
Widows and Orphans	13,300.02
Church Erection	3,400.00
Rev. and Mrs. J. J. McClurkin	100.00
Barnet, Vermont, congregation	650.00
American Bible Society	50.00
Miss Mary A. Sterrett	2,704.58
David Gregg	157,015.73
M. W. Stevenson	1,238.83
D. S. Gailey, Foreign Mission	5,000.00
Eliza A. Sloane	3,653.80
John Parkhill	8,000.00
Rev. and Mrs. Jas. McCune	800.00
	$1,184.811.62

David Gregg Mortgages

April 1, Balance	$162,150.00
Mortgages taken	3,000.00
	$165,150.00
Mortgages paid	1,500.00
April 1, 1929, Balance	$163,650.00

David Gregg Mortgage Interest

Receipts

Collections	$ 9,476.16

Disbursements

Service 5%	$ 473.81	
Foreign Missions	3,300.85	
Home Missions	2,700.70	
Church Erection	600.16	
Theological Seminary	600.16	
Southern Mission	600.16	
Widows and Orphans	600.16	
Central Pittsburgh congregation	600.16	
		$ 9,476.16

Mortgage Funds

April 1, Balance	$868,980.03
Mortgages taken	57,500.00
	$926,480.03
Mortgages paid	34,411.65
April 1, 1929, Balance	$892,068.38

Interest Accounts

Receipts

Interest on overdrafts	$ 5,713.80	
Interest from mortgages	54,400.15	
		$ 60,113.95

Disbursements

Share Office Expenses	1,523.74	
Dividends paid on Endowments	51,806.39	
Contingent Account	6,783.82	
		$ 60,113.95

Cash Account

April 1, Balance	$ 4,246.24
Receipts	
Receipts	213,457.82
	$217,704.06
Disbursements	$212,988.13
April 1, 1929, Balance	$ 4,715.93

Expense Account

Rent $795.60, Phone $48.90, Supplies $122.65, Clerk Hire $105.00, R. R. Fare and Hotel $43.45, Auditor $198.00, Box Rent $7.50, Bond $25.00, Insurance $4.22, Salary $3,000.00.	$ 4,350.32
Above paid as follows:	
Indian Mission $217.43, Home Mission $869.71 Southern Miss. $434.86, Witness Work $217.43 Geneva College $652.29, Theo. Sem. $217.43, Memor. Bldg. $217.43, Interest Account $1,523.74	$ 4,350.32

Contingent Account

April 1, Balance	$ 55,099.03
Receipts	
Balance after disbursement of dividends	6,783.82
April 1, 1929, Balance	$ 61,882.85

Pro Rate Funds

Receipts

Collection from two congregations	$ 180.00
Disbursements	
Distributed to 11 departments of the church	180.00

Undesignated Budget Funds

April 1, Balance	$ 94.98

Receipts

Collections	$ 62,998.71	
Mrs. Mary A. Buxton Estate	2,812.25	
		$ 65,810.96
		$ 65,905.94

Disbursements

Distributed to departments of the church	65,539.07
April 1, 1929, Balance	$ 366.87

Temperance

April 1, Balance	$ 395.12

Receipts

Collections	16.50
	$ 411.62

Disbursements

Supplies	109.05
April 1, 1929, Balance	$ 303.57

Students Aid

April 1, Balance		$ 904.36

Receipts

Collections	$ 261.25	
Dividend	928.23	
		$ 1,189.48
		$ 2,093.84

Disbursements

Mac Robb $395.00, Ray Wilcox	$ 340.00	
W. Mitchel $220.00, J. G. Vos	135.00	
N. F. Spear $325.00, S. A. Jackson	425.00	
Upkeep Seminary Bldg.	800.00	
		$ 2,640.00
April 1, 1929, Balance overdrawn		$ 546.16

Ministerial Relief

April 1, Balance		$ 415.21

Receipts

Collections	$ 326.85	
Pro rate collections	6.30	
Undesignated collections	2,606.85	
Keystone Driller Co., Dividend	112.00	
Endowment dividend	1,429.20	
		$ 4,481.20
		$ 4,896.41

Disbursements

T. C. Sproul $350, W. S. Fulton	450.00	
S. J. Crowe $400, J. W. Dill	350.00	
B. M. Sharp $500, Wm. McFarland	350.00	
J. F. Crozier $300, Isaiah Faris	360.00	
W. C. Allen $500, A. Kilpatrick	450.00	
J. R. Latimer $50, T. A. McElwain	400.00	
S. F. Kingston	250.00	
Life insurance	1,062.15	
Interest on overdraft	46.42	
Share Covenanter Witness	175.00	
Share Young People's office	103.68	
Share Evangelistic work	65.67	
		$ 6,162.92
April 1, 1929, Balance overdrawn		$ 1,266.51

Widows and Orphans

April 1, Balance		$ 30.60
Receipts		
Collections	$ 317.54	
Pro rate budget	5.40	
Undesignated budget	2,197.06	
David Gregg dividend	600.16	
Regular dividend	869.00	
		$ 3,989.16
		$ 4,019.76
Disbursements		
M. M. Dodds $400, J. Cannon	$ 250.00	
M. A. French $400, J. S. Faris	300.00	
A. B. George $200, J. McDonald	200.00	
Mrs. P. P. Boyd $500, A. Patton	200.00	
M. Willson $500, J. G. Dodds	400.00	
M. D. Khouri $400, E. A. Edgar	200.00	
J. R. Wylie $200, J. McCune	200.00	
Mrs. I. A. Blackwood	500.00	
Share Covenanter Witness	150.00	
Share Young People's office	88.87	
Share Evangelistic Work	56.29	
Interest on overdraft	38.86	
		$ 5,184.02
April 1, 1929, Balance overdrawn		$ 1,164.26

Theological Seminary

April 1, Balance overdrawn		$ 18.90
Receipts		
Collections	$ 72.86	
Pro rate budget	5.58	
Undesignated budget	1,464.07	

David Gregg dividend	600.16	
Regular dividend	3,945.17	
		$ 6,087.84
		$ 6,068.94

Disbursements

R. C. Wylie, salary	$ 1,250.00	
R. J. G. McKnight, salary	3,000.00	
W. J. Coleman, salary	1,625.00	
R. R. fare, sundry parties	104.27	
Flowers	10.00	
Interest on overdraft	125.08	
Share office expenses	217.43	
Share Covenanter Witness	155.00	
Share Young People's office	91.83	
Share Evangelistic work	58.16	
		$ 6,636.77
April 1, 1929, Balance overdrawn		$ 567.83

Memorial Building Account

Receipts

Out of town calls on phone	$ 5.88	
Share of budget funds	624.99	
From Student's Aid Fund, order Synod	800.00	
		$ 1,430.87

Disbursements

Repairs $165.31, gas $236.25, electricity $159.30		
Phone $45.66, water $20.09, coal $190.57		
Supplies $181.60, insurance $16.00		
Share office expenses	217.43	
		$ 1,232.21
April 1, 1929, Balance		$ 198.66

Library Fund

Receipts

Collections	$ 36.50	
Share of budget	400.00	
		$ 436.50

Disbursements

Encyclopedia sheet renewals	$ 10.00	
Books	50.89	
Magazines	49.64	
Psalters	18.00	
		$ 128.53
April 1, 1929, Balance		$ 307.97

Southern Mission

April 1, Balance overdrawn		$ 1,913.19
Receipts		
Collections	$ 926.86	
Pro rate budget	18.00	
Undesignated budget	6,240.14	
Local receipts	4,053.31	
W. M. S. Pitts. Presbytery for Miss McCracken's salary	800.00	
Rent Little Knox	90.00	
Dividends	1,326.68	
Samuel Huston, trust fund	2,049.52	
		$ 15,504.51
		$ 13,591.32
Disbursements		
R. R. fare	$ 485.33	
Local expenses	2,726.86	
Salaries	8,733.30	
Moving	84.60	
Interest on overdraft	215.43	
Share Covenanter Witness	500.00	
Share office expenses	434.86	
Share Young People's office	296.23	
Share Evangelistic work	187.62	
		$ 13,664.23
April 1, 1929, Balance overdrawn		$ 72.91

Indian Mission

April 1, Balance		$ 2,393.69
Receipts		
Collections	$ 402.20	
W. M. S. Pitts. Presby. for Supt. salary	1,200.00	
Rent of farm	425.00	
Notes paid	216.10	
Interest on Note	8.40	
Dividend	227.62	
		$ 2,479.32
		$ 4,873.01
Disbursements		
Supplies and repairs	$ 340.34	
Insurance	163.75	
Communion expenses	54.65	
Share office expenses	217.43	
Salaries	1,700.00	
		$ 2,476.17
April 1, 1929, Balance		$ 2,396.84

Home Missions

April 1, Balance overdrawn		$ 5,090.97
Receipts		
Collections	$ 814.59	
Pro rate budget	26.64	
Undesignated budget	11,470.49	
Selma cong. for pastor's salary	515.58	
David Gregg dividend	2,700.70	
Regular dividend	3,747.74	
		$ 19,275.74
		$ 14,184.77
Disbursements		
Canada Presby. $2,802.38, Illinois	$ 1,829.92	
Iowa Presby. $720.00, Kansas	1,109.92	
New York $2,558.16, Pacific	883.24	
Philadelphia $593.27, Pittsburgh	2,624.43	
Ohio $1,423.24, Rochester	825.00	
R. R. fare and hotel	113.04	
Printing	58.05	
Interest on overdraft	579.06	
Share Covenanter Witness	740.00	
Share Y. People's Office	438.41	
Share Evangelistic Work	277.67	
Share Office Expenses	869.71	
		$ 18,445.50
April 1, 1929, Balance Overdrawn		$ 4,260.73

Witness Work

April 1, Balance		$ 159.94
Receipts		
Collections	$ 33.55	
Pro rate budget	9.36	
Undesignated budget	4,326.09	
Essay Contest	60.00	
Over and above budget	50.00	
Dividend	158.58	
Sale Girardeau "Instrumental Music"	19.94	
		$ 4,657.52
		$ 4,817.46
Disbursements		
Prizes	$ 40.00	
Office expenses	33.25	
Printing	930.50	
Stamped envelopes	1,347.40	
Typists	753.56	
Interest on overdraft	34.46	
Share Covenanter Witness	260.00	

Share office expenses	217.43	
Share Y. People's Office	154.04	
Share Evangelistic Work	97.56	
		$ 3,868.20
April 1, 1929, Balance		$ 949.26

Evangelistic Work

April 1, Balance overdrawn		$ 1,055.18
Receipts		
Collections	$ 27.15	
Pro rate budget	4.68	
Undesignated budget	2,066.95	
R. A. M. Steele collections	85.22	
Ten Depts. to close account	1,827.42	
		$ 4,011.42
		$ 2,956.24
Disbursements		
Interest on overdraft	$ 113.83	
Share Covenanter Witness	130.00	
Share Y. People's Office	77.02	
R. A. M. Steele expenses	343.76	
R. A. M. Steele service	2,291.63	
		$ 2,956.24

Young People's Work and Home Resources

April 1, Balance overdrawn		$ 180.94
Receipts		
Literature	$ 5.29	
Typewriter and desk	16.00	
Receipts per J. D. Edgar	1,044.55	
Ten Depts. of Church to meet deficit	2,962.25	
		$ 4,028.09
		$ 3,847.15
Disbursements		
Printing	$ 35.00	
Moving	500.00	
Local Expenses	1,329.41	
Salary	1,916.66	
Interest on overdraft	66.08	
		$ 3,847.15

Geneva College Mortgage

April 1, 1928, Balance Due	$ 67,500.00
Paid Fidelity Title & Trust Co.	5,000.00
April 1, 1929, Balance	$ 62,500.00

Carnegie-Johnston Notes

April 1, 1928, Balance Due Synod's Board	$ 7,610.13
April 1, 1929, Balance	7,610.13

Campus Account

April 1, 1928, Balance overdrawn	$ 15,674.93
Interest on overdraft	940.50
April 1, 1929, Balance overdrawn	$ 16,615.43

Campaign Fund

April 1, 1928, Balance		$ 2,416.10
Receipts		
Pledges paid		6,459.83
		$ 8,875.93
Disbursements		
Salaries	$ 2,616.25	
Traveling expenses	146.41	
To Endowment Fund	2,300.00	
Current account	2,300.00	
McKee Hall	1,000.00	
		$ 8,362.66
April 1, 1929, Balance		$ 513.27

Joint Current Account

April 1, Balance overdrawn		$ 53,526.98
Receipts		
Share Budget R. P. Church	$ 11,726.00	
Dividends and Coupons	31,940.34	
Campaign Funds	2,300.00	
S. J. Huston Trust Fund	2,049.52	
School Liberal Arts	127,528.48	
Extension	24,871.75	
Summer	13,800.74	
Athletics	29,642.03	
Public Speaking	128.90	
Book Store	14,737.11	
North Hall for Men	2,213.10	
McKee Hall for Ladies	5,935.41	
Dining Room	22,361.76	
Alumni Hall	3,818.90	
Gift to reduce mortgage	1,000.00	
Sundries	42.50	
		$294,096.54
		$240,569.56

Disbursements

Mortgage on account	$ 5,000.00	
Interest on mortgage	3,975.00	
Interest on overdraft	3,554.08	
Interest on Carnegie Notes	456.60	
Excess Annuity Interest	250.00	
Share expenses Covenanter Witness	695.00	
Office Synod's Board	652.29	
Young People's Work	411.75	
Evangelistic Work	260.80	
Insurance	871.62	
Robert Clarke salary, expenses, etc.	3,853.78	
School Liberal Arts	149,611.72	
Extension	22,975.14	
Summer	13,712.76	
Athletics	29,190.15	
Book Store	13,623.34	
North Hall for Men	2,588.10	
McKee Hall for Ladies	5,003.97	
Dining Room	22,093.03	
Alumni Hall	4,407.67	
		$283,186.80
April 1, 1929, Balance overdrawn		$ 42,617.24

Auditor's Report

I, the undersigned appointed by the Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of N. A. to audit the Accounts of James S. Tibby, Treasurer, would respectfully report, that I have examined the Accounts, Cash in Banks and find same correct as per above Report to the 1929 Session of the Reformed Presbyterian Synod.

HARRY R. FERGUSON, Public Auditor.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF LITERARY FUND

APRIL 1, 1928—APRIL 1, 1929

April 1, 1928, Balance		$ 1,851.92
Receipts		
Prayermeeting folders	$ 35.00	
358 Dockets sold	36.15	
Bible Readings 2 years	158.04	
1928 Minutes of Synod	392.50	
Books	2,023.33	
Cut	2.85	
Congregational collections	17.70	
Synodical collections	71.63	
Synodical collections China Famine	85.67	
Traveling Fund returned	280.90	
		$ 3,103.77
		$ 4,955.69

Disbursements

Printing 400 Dockets	47.29	
Printing Young People's sheets	20.50	
Printing Bible Readings and postage	145.29	
Printing 2000 copies 1929 Psalter	2,595.60	
Plates for 1929 Psalter	668.50	
Expenses of Committee for 1929 Psalter	142.73	
Freight on 1929 Psalter	33.03	
Printing Graded Lessons	34.50	
Postage and expressage on books sold	90.76	
Books on Freemasonry, Hunts	12.45	
Copies of Confession of Faith	12.30	
Storage on Books	10.00	
Olive Tree Ad	7.25	
Trav. Fund of 1927 Synod	703.23	
Synod's typist	25.00	
Westminster Hotel for use auditorium	25.00	
Bell boys	14.45	
Telegrams	2.51	
China Fund forwarded	85.67	
Cost of 1928 Minutes of Synod	559.22	
		$ 5,235.28
April 1, 1929, Balance overdrawn		$ 279.59

JAMES S. TIBBY, Treasurer Literary Fund.

PRINTING AND SALE OF 1928 MINUTES OF SYNOD

Nine hundred copies of the Minutes of the 1928 Synod were printed by the News-Herald of Morning Sun, Iowa, and the first shipment reached Pittsburgh Aug. 30th, 1928:

785 copies were sold at fifty cents a copy		$ 392.50
11 copies free		
796		
Cost of printing	$ 407.25	
Postage and expressage	42.49	
Cut, envelopes, paper	9.48	
Service of Synod's Clerk in editing	100.00	
		$ 559.22
Deficit		$ 166.72

JAMES S. TIBBY, Treasurer Literary Fund.

THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS OF THE SYNOD OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA

REPORT OF JOSEPH M. STEELE, TREASURER

STATEMENT OF FUNDS IN FOREIGN MISSION ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 15, 1929

Syrian Hospital Fund	$ 2,894.53	
Mersine Hospital Fund	10,007.46	
Latakia Dwelling Building Fund	4,254.66	
Tarsus Building Fund	6,397.69	
Mersine School Fund	64.77	
J. D. McAnlis Fund	533.44	
Foreign Field Deputation Fund	1,514.60	
J. French Carithers Memorial Fund	6,217.70	
Foreign Missions General Fund Account overdrawn	6,453.68	
Syria Mission Special Fund	2,690.64	
Asia Minor Mission Special Fund	No Bal.	
Cyprus Mission Special Fund	619.46	
China Mission Special Fund and Famine Fund	2,743.13	
Girls' School, Nicosia, Cyprus, salary account	No Bal.	
		$ 31,484.40

LATAKIA HOSPITAL FUND

Balance, April 15, 1928			$ 2,667.96
Receipts:			
General Use		$ 60.00	
Dividends:			
Rev. David and Mrs. M. E. McKee, Cot	$ 60.00		
Mrs. E. S. E. McKee	60.00		
		120.00	
Interest on account		46.57	
			226.57
			$ 2,894.53

No Disbursements

MERSINE HOSPITAL FUND

Balance, April 15, 1928		$ 9,767.90
Receipts:		
Dividends		
Rev. David and Mrs. M. E. McKee, Cot	$ 80.00	
Interest on account	159.56	
		239.56
		$ 10,007.46

No Disbursements:

LATAKIA DWELLING BUILDING FUND

Balance, April 15, 1928		$ 4,186.68
Interest on account		67.98
		$ 4,254.66

No Disbursements:

TARSUS BUILDING FUND

Balance, April 15, 1928		$ 6,294.97
Interest on account		102.72
		$ 6,397.69

No Disbursements:

MERSINE SCHOOL FUND

Balance, April 15, 1928		$ 62.94
Interest on account		1.83
		$ 64.77

No Disbursements:

J. D. McANLIS FUND

Balance, April 15, 1928		$ 524.06
Interest on account		9.38
		$ 533.44

No Disbursements:

FOREIGN FIELD DEPUTATION FUND

Balance, April 15, 1928		$ 1,514.60

No Disbursements:

J. FRENCH CARITHERS MEMORIAL FUND

Balance, April 15, 1928		$ 6,052.93
Receipts	$ 65.87	
Interest on account	98.90	
		164.77
		$ 6,217.70

Liberty Bonds $1,600.00

FOREIGN MISSION GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT

Receipts

Congregations	$29,811.83	
Sabbath Schools and Societies	4,762.55	
Individuals	3,674.00	
		$ 38,248.38
Bequests:		
Wm. Alexander Brown, Balance		$ 747.68
Dividends:		
David Gregg Estate	$ 3,300.58	
Regular Endowment	5,061.50	
Rev. David and Mary E. McKee	410.00	
Mrs. M. E. and E. S. E. McKee	880.00	
Barnet, Vt.	17.87	
Miss M. Sterrett	261.87	
Mrs. E. S. E. McKee	50.00	
		$ 9,981.82
Travel returned		103.20
Salary returned		55.38
Merchandise returned		28.08
Balance in travel account		21.65
		$ 49,186.19
Balance, April 15, 1928		2,650.62
		$ 51,836.81

Disbursements

Syria, Latakia:			
Salaries (Missionaries on field and furlough)		$ 8,757.50	
Salaries (retired missionaries		1,410.00	
		$10,167.50	
Mission expense		8,000.00	
Drafts, cash, etc.		159.88	
Travel		84.32	
		$18,411.70	
Turkey, Mersina:			
Salaries	$1,020.00		
Rent of Buildings	1,250.00		
		2,270.00	
Cyprus:			
Salaries	$7,125.00		
Mission expense, inc., school supplies	3,449.62		
Travel	1,443.80		
		12,018.42	

China:

Salaries (missionaries on field and furlough)	16,973.75		
Salaries (missionaries retired)	900.00		
	$17,873.75		
Interest paid to D. S. Faris on Liberty Bond gift	127.50		
Travel	2,237.84		
		20,239.09	

HOME BASE EXPENSE AND SYNOD'S ASSESSMENTS

Covenanter Witness	1,965.00		
Evangelistic work	737.35		
Young People's Work	1,164.16		
Olive Trees	81.80		
Secretary's expense	1,239.72		
Treasurer's expense	163.25		
		5,351.28	
			$ 58,290.49
Total disbursements	58,290.49		
Total receipts	51,836.81		
Total deficit	$ 6,453.68		

SALARY ACCOUNT, GIRLS' SCHOOL, NICOSIA, CYPRUS

April 15, 1928			No Bal.
Receipts			
From Women's Presbyterials			$ 2,550.00
Disbursements:			
Salaries, 1 year—			
Mabel Henderson		$ 850.00	
Blanche McCrea		850.00	
Elda A. Patton		850.00	
			$ 2,550.00

SPECIAL FUND ACCOUNTS

SYRIA MISSION

Receipts

Payment of publications	$ 10.00
Julia Shemas	115.00
Jurge Michel	60.00
Support Girl	40.00
Children's Work	50.00
Bible Woman	25.00
Relief	108.45
Relief (Maturity Liberty Bond)	300.00
	$ 708.45

Dividends—Est. D. S. Gailey Scholarship	275.00		
		983.45	
Balance, April 15, 1928		$ 2,294.19	
		$ 3,277.64	
Disbursements:			
Specific special items only		587.00	$ 2,690.64

ASIA MINOR MISSION

No special funds during fiscal year ..... No Bal.

CYPRUS MISSION

Receipts:			
Boy student	50.00		
Girl student	25.00		
Boy and girl scholarship	160.00		
Building fund, girls' school	30.00		
School building	150.00		
Dividends:			
Keystone Driller Co.—students	160.00		
		575.00	
Balance, April 15, 1928		774.76	
		$ 1,349.76	
Disbursements:			
Sent to field for sundry purposes as above		730.30	
			$ 619.46

CHINA MISSION AND CHINA FAMINE FUND

Receipts			
For special famine fund	913.83		
Educate girl	15.00		
Support of boy	50.00		
Bible Woman	50.00		
Country work	50.00		
Children's work	50.00		
House boat	46.75		
Dividends:			
Keystone Driller Co., student	160.00		
Rev. and Mrs. James McCune, educate girl	44.00		
		$ 1,379.58	
Balance, April 15, 1928		3,321.25	
		$ 4,700.83	
Disbursements:			
To famine relief fund	$1,000.00		

To special purposes	957.70		
		$ 1,957.70	
			$ 2,743.13
Liberty Bonds	$1,100.00		

AMOUNTS DUE MISSIONARIES

Miss F. Elma French	$ 50.00	
Rev. W. M. Robb	50.00	
Dr. E. J. M. Dickson	44.33	
		$ 144.33

ADVANCES MADE FOR MISSIONARIES

Rev. C. E. Caskey	$ 30.40	
Miss Blanche McCrea	4.25	
		$ 34.65

SECRETARY'S EXPENSE

Miscellaneous traveling expenses for others than Secretary	$ 171.16	
Foreign Mission Conference 1928	125.00	
Office expense and Clerk hire	995.00	
	$ 1,291.16	
Travel returned	51.44	
	$ 1,239.72	
Transferred to Home Base Expense Account	1,239.72	
		No. Bal.

TREASURER'S EXPENSE

Bond	$ 50.00	
Audit	85.00	
Postage, stationery & office sup	15.25	
Copies Minutes of Synod	13.00	
	$ 163.25	
Transferred to Home Base Expense Account	163.25	
		No. Bal.

OLIVE TREES

Receipts	$ 515.81	
Expenses	557.62	
Deficit	$ 41.81	
Deficit at start of year	$ 39.99	
	$ 81.80	
Transferred to Home Base Expense Account	$ 81.80	
		No. Bal.

COMPARATIVE REPORT

	1928		1929	
	Receipts	Payments	Receipts	Payments
Foreign Mission General Fund Account	$59,604.35	$56,953.73	$49,186.19	$58,290.49
Syria, Special Fund	1,738.46	1,073.74	983.45	587.00
Asia Minor Special Fund	Nothing	Nothing	Nothing	
Cyprus Special Fund	619.83	600.82	575.00	730.30
China Special Fund	515.75	Nothing	1,379.58	1,957.70
Latakia Hospital Fund	385.33	Nothing	226.57	Nothing
Mersine Hospital Fund	189.29	Nothing	239.56	Nothing
Latakia Dwelling Building Fund	47.60	Nothing	67.98	Nothing
Tarsus Building Fund	71.42	Nothing	102.72	Nothing
Mersine School Fund	.70	Nothing	1.83	Nothing
J. D. McAnlis Fund	5.94	Nothing	9.38	Nothing
J. French Carithers Memorial Fund	136.31	Nothing	164.77	Nothing
	$ 3,710.63	$ 1,674.56	$ 3,750.84	$ 3,275.00

SUMMARY

Totals for Special and Miscellaneous Funds	3,710.63	$56,953.73	$49,186.19	$58,290.49
Totals for General Fund Account	$59,604.35	1,674.56	3,750.84	3,275.00
	$63,314.98	$58,628.29	$52,937.03	$6,1565.49

STATEMENT OF BALANCES AND DISTRIBUTION OF CASH IN BANKS

Foreign Mission Accounts:		
General, Special and Miscellaneous		$31,484.40
Board of Church Erection		3,826.09
Amounts due missionaries		144.33
		$ 35,454.82
Less:		
Amounts due by missionaries	34.65	
Deficit, Jewish Mission Account	236.72	
		$ 271.37
		$35,183.45
Distribution as Follows:		
*Brown Brothers and Company	31,622.04	
Bank of North America & Trust Co.	1,658.36	
Central National Bank	1,903.05	
		$35,183.45

*Includes deposit of 5-6 29.

Respectfully submitted,
JOS. M. STEELE, Treasurer.

MISSION OF THE COVENANT
(JEWISH MISSION)

Statement of Funds, April 15, 1928 to April 15,1929

Joseph M. Steele, Treasurer

Receipts

Congregations	$2,126.50	$	
Sabbath Schools and Societies	62.50		
Receipts to Mission Direct	82.71		
		$ 2,271.71	
Dividend, Missouri State Life Ins. Co.		42.00	
Dividend, Southern Surety Co.		18.00	
Sale, 15 Shares Southern Surety Co. Stock		650.17	
Dividends:			
Regular Endowment		128.32	
		$ 3,110.20	
Balance, April 15, 1928		430.40	
			$ 3,540.60

Disbursements

Salaries	2,400.00
Car fare	13.20
Cleaning	98.06
Cleaning supplies	3.45
Repairs	40.20
Gas	6.60

Electricity	12.29	
Telephone	42.46	
Fire protection	3.75	
Postage	2.00	
Periodicals	28.01	
Coal and wood	111.50	
Sewing class assistant	35.00	
Purchase, 15 shs. Southern Surety Co. Stock	525.00	
Purchase, 10 shs. Missouri State Life Ins. Co.	200.00	
Synod's Assessments:		
Covenanter Witness	130.00	
Evangelistic work	48.78	
Young People's Work	77.02	
		$ 3,777.32
Total disbursements	$3,777.32	
Total receipts	3,540.60	
Total deficit	$ 236.72	

Respectfully submitted,
JOS. M. STEELE, Treasurer,

BOARD OF CHURCH ERECTION

Joseph M. Steele, Treasurer

Statement of funds, April 15, 1928 to April 15, 1929.

Receipts

Congregations	$ 10.63	
Repaid on account of mtge., Topeka, Kansas	100.00	
Repaid on account of mtge., Bovina, N. Y.	100.00	
Repaid on account of mtge., New Concord, Ohio	100.00	
In full, for mortgage, Connellsville, Pa.	600.00	
Dividends:		
David Gregg estate	600.16	
Regular endowment	187.00	
Interest on account	61.24	
		$ 1,759.03
Balance, April 15, 1928		3,867.06
		$ 5,626.09

Disbursements

Loan to Selma, Ala. congregation	$ 500.00	
Loan to Orlando, Florida congregation	1,300.00	
		$ 1,800.00
		$ 3,826.09
Liberty Bonds	$ 250.00	

Respectfully submitted,
JOS. M. STEELE, Treasurer,

Mr. Joseph M. Steele, Treasurer,
The Board of Foreign Missions of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America, Philadelphia.

Dear sir—We have audited your accounts as Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America for the year ended April 15, 1929. All receipts as shown by your books were deposited in bank and all disbursements were supported by proper vouchers. The balances in bank were verified by correspondence with the depositories. The $2,950 U. S. Liberty Bonds, and 20 shares of Missouri State Life Insurance Co., par $10, which are not entered on the books, were verified by examination.

Annexed we submit a statement of the balances in the various funds at April 15, 1929.

Very truly yours,
LYBRAND, ROSS BROS. & MONTGOMERY.

DETAILS OF THE FUNDS OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS OF THE SYNOD OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA APRIL 15, 1929

Board of Foreign Missions:		
Syria Hospital Fund	$ 2,894.53	
Mersine Hospital Fund	10,007.46	
Latakia Dwelling Building Fund	4,254.66	
Tarsus Building Fund	6,397.69	
Mersine School Fund	64.77	
Rev. J. D. McAnlis Fund	533.44	
Foreign Field Deputation Fund	1,514.60	
J. French Carithers, Memorial Fund	6,217.70	
Foreign Mission, General Fund, overdraft	6,453.68	
Syrian Mission, Special Fund	2,690.64	
Cyprus Mission, Special Fund	619.46	
China Mission, Special Fund and Famine Fund	2,743.13	
		$ 31,484.40
Jewish Mission Board, overdraft		236.72
Board of Church Erection		3,826.09
Amounts due missionaries:		
F. Elma French	50.00	
Rev. W. M. Robb	50.00	
Dr. E. J. M. Dickson	44.33	
		144.33
		$ 35,218.10

Less advances made for missionaries:		
Rev. C. E. Caskey	30.40	
Blanche McCrea	4.25	
		34.65
		$ 35,183.45
Held as follows:		
At Brown Brothers & Co.	$ 31,622.04*	
At Bank of North America & Trust Co.	1,658.36	
At Central National Bank	1,903.05	
		$ 35,183.45

*Includes $15,893.67 deposited May 6, 1929.

THE BOARD OF CHURCH ERECTION

It is with deep and grateful recognition of the good hand of our God upon us in our work throughout the past year, that we submit this report to Synod. We have earnestly endeavored to administer the work of this Board, so as to best serve the interests of the whole Church in building up the walls of Zion. Our Board meetings are held alternately between Philadelphia and New York. Peace and harmony prevail in our midst. Our watchword is "Cooperation". We stand ready at all times to extend needed financial aid, within the limits of our treasury, to those congregations making application after first having made an honest effort to help themselves. A loan was granted to the Selma, Alabama, congregation to make much needed repairs on their church building. A communication from J. M. Johnston indicates that this loan was much appreciated by the colored brethren, and greatly encouraged them to go forward. This loan was granted on condition that they put forth every effort to raise the pastor's salary in full; and that the congregation raise its share of Synod's budget as they have heretofore. A loan was also granted to the Orlando congregation to clear their new church building of debt.

We received no appropriation from the budget last year, and we have asked for no appropriation this coming year. A year ago we had on hand a balance in our treasury of a little over $4100. This year after carrying on the work as usual, making disbursements as the needs seem to require, we still have a balance of over $4000.00 in the treasury.

The sources of our income this past year may be itemized in general as follows:

From repayments on the principals of loans made to various congregations in the past year	$ 900.00
From invested funds	848.40
From contributions over and above the budget	10.63
Adding to this the balance on hand last year	4,117.06
Makes our total receipts for the year	$5,876.09

For further information concerning the financial affairs of the Board we hereby submit the annual report of our treasurer, Joseph M. Steele.

The term for which F. M. Foster, F. M. Wilson and Evan W. Jones were elected has expired, and their successors should be elected.

Respectfully submitted,
S. E. GREER, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CONTROL

The Board of Control would respectfully submit the following report:

Since the last meeting of Synod the Board has held one regular and one special meeting. The first at the home of S. O. Carson and the second at the home of H. G. Patterson.

At the regular meeting J. T. Hensleigh was elected president and H. G. Patterson, secretary. Thirty-four applications were received for aid, thirteen from ministers, fifteen from widows, and six from students.

Since the last distribution of funds some of those who received aid have passed to the home where they hunger no more. But though some of those whom we have aided will no longer need our help, old age is overtaking other faithful servants of the church and the Board earnestly asks the members of the church to be liberal in their contributions to this cause that the aged and dependent ones may not only not suffer but live in comfort.

The time for which J. P. Baird and David Cummings were elected as members of the Board has expired and their successors should be chosen, also the place left vacant by the resignation of D. B. Martin should be filled.

H. G. PATTERSON, Secretary.

THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN WOMAN'S ASSOCIATION OF NORTH AMERICA, YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 1929.

Receipts

Bequests—		
Robert Burns	$	100.00
William Alexander Brown Estate		373.84
Donations—		
Reception and Donation Day		850.50
Societies and Individuals		87.00
Endowment Memorial Room		500.00
Annual membership dues		598.50
Members fund		1,185.88
Interest—		
On checking account		16.99
On savings account		75.90
On mortgages		1,913.94
Sundry cash income		1.40
Accounts receivable		104.94
	$	6,820.36
Mortgage paid		6,000.00
Bills payable		750.00
Withdrawal from savings account		2,195.00
Total receipts	$	15,765.36

Expenditures

Burial Expense	$	140.56
Cemetery		35.00
Drugs and medicine		49.21
Food supplies		2,499.98
Garden and grounds		78.08
General expense		1,070.18
Insurance		152.22
Light and fuel		1,179.51
Matron's expense fund		900.00
Memorial room expense		311.42
Nursing		10.70
Office expense		407.54
Repairs		236.72
Salaries		2,860.37
Telephone		44.21
Interest paid to members		809.25
Interest and miscellaneous		158.45
	$	10,943.40
Transferred to savings account		4,041.07
Bills payable		750.00
Total expenditures	$	15,734.47

SUMMARY

Total receipts	$ 15,765.36	
Add Balance, March 1, 1928	184.73	
		$ 15,950.09
Expenditures for the year		15,734.47
Balance, February 28, 1929		$ 215.62
Excess of receipts during year	$ 30.89	

Assets

Cash—		
Melon Nat'l Bank Savings acct.	$ 987.57	
City Deposit Bank savings acct.	2,840.00	
City Deposit Bank checking acct.	215.62	
		$ 4,043.19
Real Estate—		
Cemetery lots	$ 1,175.00	
Home property	48,524.21	
		$ 49,699.21
Stocks—		
Keystone Driller Co.		240.51
Mortgages receivable—		
Ethel B. and Frank H. Eckels	10,000.00	
Ethel B. and Frank H. Eckels	5,000.00	
George Frankovich	11,500.00	
Wilford M. Aikin	2,398.00	
William W. and Eliza Davis	1,200.00	
		$ 30,098.00
Furniture and fixtures		7,125.00
Equipment		3,254.38
Total assets		$ 94,460.29

Liabilities

Member's fund	$ 11,111.42	
Memorial room furnishings	103.15	
Reserve interest fund, memorial rooms	987.57	
Perpetual endowment memorial rooms	6,200.00	
Manager's contingent fund	1.62	
Total Liabilities		$ 18,403.76

Summary

Total assets	$ 94,460.29	
Total liabilities	18,403.76	
Excess of assets		$ 76,056.53

Respectfully submitted,
AGNES E. STEELE, Treasurer.

Pittsburgh, Pa., March 18, 1929.

To the Board of Directors of Reformed Presbyterian Woman's Association of North America, Pittsburgh, Pa.

This is to certify that I have audited the books of the Reformed Presbyterian Woman's Association of North America for the year ending February 28, 1929 and have found them to be in balance and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. The contents of the safe deposit box in the City Deposit Bank were examined and all holdings were accounted for. Insurance policies were examined and found to be correct.

W. E. RICHARDS, JR., Auditor.

J. C. Slater submitted the report of the Committee on Discipline which was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT ON COMMITTEE ON DISCIPLINE

Your Committee on Discipline would respectfully report:

Three papers were placed in our hands:

A memorial from Ohio Presbytery asks for a deliverance stating "whether it is proper for Presbytery to provide for the dispensation of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper in mission stations where there is no elder."

Presbytery may provide for the dispensation of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper in mission stations where there is no elder by the appointment of a provisional session, to perform the duties belonging to the session in the observance of the sacrament.

The second paper is one referred to Synod by the Board of Foreign Missions, and presents a question from the mission in Cyprus concerning divorce. The question is, "Should a minister or session of the Reformed Presbyterian Mission in Cyprus ever grant a divorce, and if so, on what grounds?"

Our standards recognize marriage as a civil institution, and ordinarily the granting of a divorce belongs to the civil courts. But the church has always refused to sanction a divorce granted by the civil courts, if the divorce is granted on other than Scriptural grounds.

The letter states, "In this country divorces are not given by the government, but by the heads of various religious bodies." Where the government vests a minister of the Gospel, or a session, with the authority to grant a divorce, we see no reason why a minister who is competent to constitute the marriage relation, may not dissolve it, when authorized by the state to do so, according to the law of God and the Church.

The only grounds recognized by our church standards are adultery and such wilful desertion as admits of no remedy.

The third paper is from the session of the Orlando congregation, transferred by Philadelphia Presbytery, and calls for a decision as to the fitness of an elder elect for the office. The issue turns on the question, "What constitutes membership in a secret society?"

Since we do not have opportunity to secure information here, we recommend that the papers be referred to a commission of

Synod, consisting of A. A. Wylie, D. H. Elliott, W. J. Coleman, ministers, and Walter Dodds and D. C. Ward, elders, with instructions to seek information from W. A. Fraser, Sovereign Commander, Woodmen of the World, W. O. W. Building, Omaha, Nebraska; and Head Camp, Modern Woodmen of America, 1504 Third Avenue, Rock Island, Illinois, on the following questions: Is one who pays his dues, but does not attend any meetings of the Lodge, recognized as a member of the lodge?

Can anyone withdraw from the lodge and continue his insurance by the payment of dues?

Can anyone secure insurance in the lodge without becoming a member of the lodge?

When information has been secured from these authorities in the lodges, the commission shall give a final decision in the case at the earliest possible opportunity.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN C. SLATER
F. M. FOSTER
J. G. REED
J. C. McFARLAND
T. J. BOWES.

J. M. Wallace reported for the Committee on Traveling Fund. The report was adopted and is as follows:

TRAVELING FUND

Your committee having in charge the Traveling Fund would respectfully report:

Balance received from 1928 Synod		$ 280.90
Received from congregations		3,560.50
Total		$3,841.40
Expenses allowed two speakers	58.00	
Total expenses of delegates	$3,641.63	
Total		$3,699.63
Balance		141.77

Respectfully submitted,
J. M. WALLACE, Chairman.

W. J. Sanderson read the report of the Committee on Supplies, which was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUPPLIES

There were placed in our hands the reports of the different presbyteries, and also a resolution calling for the paying out of the Synod's treasury the traveling expenses of ministers and licentiates regularly assigned by Synod to the presbyteries to be by them officially appointed to vacancies that they may preach the Gospel and do pastoral work.

The time of seven men is asked for by the presbyteries and

the following assignments are suggested for the fourteen men at the disposal of Synod:

W. J. Coleman—Pittsburgh, for the year.

J. W. Dill—Kansas, for the year.

Isaiah Faris—Kansas, for the year.

W. S. Fulton—Ohio, June-July; Illinois, August-September; Central Canada, October-November; Ohio, December-May.

R. Hargrave—Ohio, for the year.

S. F. Kingston—Illinois, for the year.

J. R. Latimer—Kansas, June-December; Illinois, January-May.

R. H. Martin—Iowa, June-August; Illinois; September-October; Ohio, November; Colorado, December.

G. R. McBurney—Illinois, June—November; Kansas, December-May.

T. A. McElwain—Iowa, June-September; Illinois, July-August; Central Canada, October-December.

J. S. McGaw—Pittsburgh, July-December; Colorado, January-May.

R. W. Piper—Iowa, July; Central Canada, August-December; Ohio, January; Pittsburgh, February-May.

James Potter—Pittsburgh, June-December; Ohio, February-May.

G. R. Steele—Central Canada, June-November; Ohio, December-February; Illinois, March-May.

Since the expense of traveling places such a burden upon ministers and licentiates regularly and officially appointed by Synod and presbyteries to supply vacant congregations as that in many cases they are unable to fill their appointments, we recommend that a two-year trial be made of the plan whereby 50% of such traveling expenses shall be paid to all such appointees, it being understood that only the lowest possible expense shall be taken into account, and that this plan applies to those only who are regularly and officially appointed to fill vacancies and not to those where arrangements may be made through other channels, or to those who may be serving the Church and receiving a salary for the same in other ways than as supplies: and we further recommend that the money for meeting such expenses shall be paid out of the treasury of the Board of Home Missions.

Respectfully submitted:

W. J. SANDERSON
H. G. FOSTER
E. M. ELSEY
T. A. HENDERSON
R. BOYD WALLACE

The Committee on Theological Seminary, instructed to interview the professors elect as to their acceptance, reported as follows, and the report was adopted:

Your committee on Theological Seminary would respectfully report:

The committee waited on the newly elected professors of the Seminary and officially notified them of their election. Professors John Coleman, J. B. Tweed, and Robert Park accepted, subject to the permission of the college Board of Trustees. Dr. W. J. Coleman also accepted his appointment.

R. C. FULLERTON,
E. G. RUSSELL,
J. G. McELHINNEY,
A. W. SMITH,
R. C. REDPATH.

A supplementary report submitted by the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary was adopted and is as follows:

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENTS OF REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

It is recommended that the Board of Control be directed to pay to the Treasurer of the Seminary Board, this year, $450.00, to be used as needed for help in the preparation and serving of meals for the students, and that the Board of Control take this into account in making grants to the students.

The resignations of W. J. Coleman and Robert Park as members of the Seminary Board are hereby presented to Synod and it is recommended that A. A. Wylie and J. G. Vos be elected to fill their unexpired term.

F. M. FOSTER, Chairman,
ROBERT PARK, Secretary.

J. M. Coleman submitted the report on the Revision of the Historical Part of the Testimony, Item 21 of Unfinished Business. The report was adopted and is as follows:

REVISION OF HISTORICAL PART OF TESTIMONY

According to the action of last Synod the Revision of the Historical Part of the Testimony was referred to our committee with a view to publication, together with "The Hand-book for Young Christians" and suitable questions.

This takes us back to the original action of Synod in 1921, which is as follows:

"That we seek to establish our people more fully by a course of study in Covenanter History, and that a committee be appointed to re-write the historical part of our Testimony for the benefit of the young people of the church."

As your committee understood its commission it was authorized to reshape and harmonize the previous material that had been prepared and to proceed with its publication. We had before us the draft published in the appendix of the Minutes of 1923;

also that published in 1926, together with that submitted by the special committee in 1928.

This work has been completed and is ready for the printer.

As to publishing this history with the "Hand-book for Young Christians" and suitable questions, your committee did not deem it wise to include both in a single volume at this time for the reason that a comparatively new edition of the "Hand-book" gives us an adequate supply of this for some time to come and the re-printing of it now would about double the expense. As we would understand "The suitable questions" asked for refer to the Hand-book rather than the history we are not including them in this publication.

Your committee would therefore, report that the matter has been attended to, except the printing, which will be taken care of in the near future.

We recommend that 1500 copies of the History be published and that the cost be paid out of the literary fund.

Signed:
J. M. COLEMAN
D. H. ELLIOTT
MRS. ANNA GEORGE MARTIN.

Synod took recess until 7:00 p. m., prayer by Elder Walter Ross.

TUESDAY EVENING, JUNE 11, 1929

Synod reconvened at 7:00 o'clock, was called to order by the Moderator and led in prayer by Elder J. C. McFarland. The minutes of the afternoon session were read and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Temperance was resubmitted, adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

The Situation:

Prohibition has become a world question, with America the chief, but not the only battleground. The wine-producing countries are cooperating more extensively to protect their evil trade and to help other forces to break America's achievement in temperance. With us as never before the liquor question was an issue in national politics, though a confused issue. The liquor forces insisted on a candidate who was openly wet and a devoted Roman Catholic, and added to that combination an exhibition of machine political methods in a bold drive for strategic power. They failed; but the action of Montana and Wisconsin in repealing their state enforcement laws for prohibition shows that the danger remains, and the wet portion of the press loses no chance to embarrass enforcement officers. However, we rejoice in the success of men like Governor Moody and Bishop

Cannon against the liquor conspiracy to capture the South, in the vigorous and united demand of the temperance organizations for loyalty to the law, in the passage of the Jones Bill providing heavier penalties for bootleggers, and in the improvement in the interest of the White House in securing obedience to the law. In Europe, the local option bill in Germany almost passed, and in Denmark one fourth of the parishes are dry. The moral tone of the pre-election effort to defend American prohibition proved a strong temptation to Covenanters to vote; but that moral tone is a factor which must grow. As in the late war, much of the value of victory depends on the proper statement of the question and the main motives in the struggle. The wall of temperance believers protecting America's homes and future generations must be greatly strengthened.

The contrast between America's position in the two main phases of the temperance struggle keeps increasing. Liquor had its greatest defeat here; the tobacco interests have their main power and their greatest success in America. Cigarette makers are combining the unscrupulous methods of the breweries with the high pressure selling methods of modern mass production. The boldest of them, the makers of Lucky Strike cigarettes, using some of their millions of dollars profit, make open appeal through advertising for women customers for their toasted poison. Restraints against smokers are steadily being broken down, the yearly American consumption of cigarettes has leaped to one hundred billion, and the average age of youth's beginning this destructive habit slips down into more tender years. The present toll from the use of tobacco is tremendous, but the threat to coming generations is awful. Though the temperance question be far from the main concern of the Covenanter Church, we cannot fail, we shall not fail, to join our influence to help that wall of lovers of mankind who would stand between the merciless pack of poison peddlers and their precious prey.

Our Work:

Four of the Presbyterial C. Y. P. U. conventions last summer granted your request that the evil of tobacco might be presented during their program. A free subscription to the "No-Tobacco Journal" for one year was offered to the pastor of every congregation in the church and accepted by many. Materials specially prepared for the temperance lessons in the Sabbath School were sent to each congregation each quarter. Some material was published in "The Covenanter Witness". Dr. S. E. Greer, as our representative, attended the National Temperance Legislative Conference in Washington, and we are contributing to its support.

We recommend:

1. That our people use all Christian means to aid and improve prohibition.

2. That the officers in each congregation be urged again to endeavor to free their people from the tobacco habit, pastors to preach on temperance including tobacco at some time during the year; and members to undertake some active work against the spread of the tobacco habit.

3. That the C. Y. P. U. conferences this summer be asked to consider aiding this campaign against tobacco.

4. That our members be reminded of the power of protest and advised to use it against billboards which advertise tobacco and against radio stations broadcasting cigarette advertising; and that the officers of this Synod be authorized to sign a protest prepared by this committee against the radio cigarette programs to be addressed to the National Broadcasting Association and to the Radio Commission.

5. That Synod's officers be authorized to send to the British Embassy in Washington a note in appreciation of their yielding their legal privilege to import liquors, thereby setting such a good example to other nations.

The term for which Elder John L. Patterson was chosen has expired and his successor should be elected.

PAUL COLEMAN,
M. R. JAMISON,
J. R. W. STEVENSON,
JOHN L. PATTERSON,
ANNA CABEEN.

The report on Time and Place of Meeting was submitted by J. B. Willson, amended, adopted and is as follows:

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING

Your Committee on Time and Place of Meeting respectfully reports:

One invitation has been received, from the Winona Lake Institutions, to meet at Winona Lake, Indiana.

Your Committee, therefore, recommends:

1. That the invitation to meet at Winona Lake be accepted.
2. That headquarters be established at The Westminster Hotel.
3. That when the time for adjournment arrives, Synod adjourn to meet at the Westminster Hotel, Winona Lake, Indiana, on Wednesday, June 4, 1930, at 2 p. m. Central Time.

J. B. WILLSON,
PAUL D. McCRACKEN,
JOHN H. PRITCHARD,
WALTER ROSS,
T. D. RUSSELL,
Committee.

A. A. Wylie submitted the final report of the Committee on Nominations which was amended, adopted and is as follows:

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

I. Committee to answer the petition of H. L. Smith: J. S. Martin, George S. Coleman, T. C. McKnight, J. Walker Wilson, T. D. Russell.

II.. Members added to the Committee on the Christian attitude toward war: Walter McCarroll, W. J. Sanderson, J. M. Coleman.

III. Committee to consider the request of the Board of Home Missions: Charles T. Carson, E. A. Crooks, J. G. McElhinney, T. A. Henderson, Robert Rambo.

IV. Moderator's alternate to preach sermon at opening of next Synod: J. G. Vos.

V. Members of Witness Committee: W. J. Coleman, E. L. McKnight, Oliver Wylie, to succeed themselves. D. B. Martin added to the Committee.

VI. Members of Temperance Committee: J. L. Patterson to succeed himself.

VII. To write letters of sympathy: F. M. Foster to write A. Kilpatrick; R. C. Adams to write H. G. McConaughy; J. R. Wylie to write Wm. McFarland; J. S. Stewart to write Isaiah Faris; J. B. Willson to write W. W. Carithers; T. M. Slater to write Mrs. R. C. Wylie; O. F. Thompson to write Mrs. J. M. Wylie; J. C. Slater to write J. S. Thompson; W. T. K. Thompson to write Mary McFall Nesbit; E. M. Elsey to write R. Hargrave.

VIII. Gathering historical materials: J. B. Tweed.

IX. Committee to provide historical map of church: Paul Coleman, M. R. Jameson, D. M. Dodds.

X. Committee to cooperate with Indiana Covenanters and others interested in the modified oath: P. J. McDonald, R. H. Martin, W. J. McBurney, H. L. Smith.

XI. Additional members of the Committee on Publishing the Digest of the Deliverances of Synod: J. S. Martin, D. H. Elliott.

Committee:
A. A. WYLIE,
W. T. K. THOMPSON,
J. K. GAULT,
WALTER DODDS,
ELLSWORTH JACKSON.

M. K. Carson, appointed to bring the greetings of the Pre-Synodic Conference to the Synod, called on W. R. McEwen and George S. Coleman to speak of the help received from the Conference, and followed with remarks of his own. The program of the Conference appears in the Appendix.

J. S. Tibby submitted his annual report as Stated Clerk which was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE STATED CLERK

Summary

There are enrolled 12 presbyteries, 97 congregations, 14 mission stations, 126 ministers, 398 elders, 376 deacons, 2 licentiates, 9 theological students, 7,337 members, with no report from

China. Latakia reports 242 members; Larnaca 75; Nicosia 52 and the Home field 6968. The Sabbath School enrollment is 7867; Young People's Societies 1652; Tithers 2186; Parsonages 38.

Congregations

There are 90 in the home field, 67 have pastors, 24 without pastors, 28 report a net gain in membersh'p, 17 no change, 46 a net loss, 34 report not a single accession.

Ministers

There are 126 ministers, 67 are pastors, 6 stated supplies, 5 in the foreign field, 1 in reform work, 6 at Geneva College, 2 in the theological seminary, 1 in Sabbath School work, 12 in secular callings, 16 retired, 3 in home mission work, 1 in outside colleges, 1 in Young People's work. R. C. Reed died June 7, 1928, R. C. Wylie, July 31, 1928, J. M. Foster, Nov. 11, 1928, J. C. McFeeters, Dec. 24, 1928, Thos. McFall, Jan. 14, 1929, J. M. Wylie, April 29, 1929. The name of William Doig as a minister of the Ref. Presbyterian Church, was removed from the roll by Pittsburgh Presbytery, at his own request, Jan. 15, 1929. G. M. Robb was released from the pastoral charge of Bloomington, Ind., congregation Jan. 3, 1929; D. Bruce Martin from Sharon, Iowa, congregation, Feb. 4, 1929; G. R. Steele from Sterling, Kans., congregation March 11, 1929; J. T. Mitchell from Rehoboth, Pa., congregation Sept. 11, 1928; J. B. Willson from Wilkinsburg, Pa., congregation April 16, 1929; J. D. Edgar from Los Angeles congregation July 16th, 1929; David Calderwood from Seattle congregation, Jan. 4, 1929.

W. J. McBurney was installed pastor of Princeton, Ind., congregation June 21, 1928; David Calderwood of Los Angeles congregation January 4, 1929; David B. Russell of Orlando, Florida congregation May 8, 1929; J. T. Mitchell of Connellsville, Pa. congregation Sept. 11, 1928; D. Bruce Martin of Beaver Falls congregation Feb. 25, 1929; A. J. McFarland was ordained and installed pastor of Superior and Beulah, Neb. congregations Sept. 6, 1928; Frank H. Lathom of Walton, New York congregation July 6, 1928; J. G. Vos of Millers Run, Pa. congregation March 25, 1929.

COMMUNICANTS

With no report from China, our total membership is 7,337. Latakia reports 242, a gain of 1; Larnaca 75, a gain of 6; Nicosia 52, a loss of 3; the home field reports 6,968, a loss of 81. During the past ten years the total net decrease in the home field amounted to 826. Only one year viz. 1925 showed a net gain. Central Canada Presbytery reports a net gain of 7 members; Colorado of 3; Illinois of 5; Kansas of 5; Rochester of 9. New York Presbytery a loss of 39; Ohio of 10; Pacific Coast of 3; Pittsburgh of 14; Philadelphia of 10; Iowa of 15.

Fifty-nine were certified to other congregations; 91 joined other denominations; 115 passed away; a total decrease of 391 is reported as against 480 last year; 195 joined the Mother church; 37 came from other denominations; 67 came from the outside. A total increase of 334 as against 359 of the previous year.

CONTRIBUTIONS

$81,554.62 of the Budget of $100,000 was contributed, according to the figures of the three general treasurers, by individuals and congregations, to this was added the proceeds of the sale of the real estate of Mrs. Mary A. Buxton of Utica, Ohio, of $2,812.25 making a total of 84%. This is $11.70 per member as against $11.86 of last year.

$33,012 was contributed for Foreign Mission work, or $4.74 per member against $4.82 of the previous year. Reports of congregational treasurers show collections for Bible Society $1,793; National Reform $5,892; Pastor's Salary $128,578; Budget $86,753. Miscellaneous $120,355; or total collections of $342,049. This is $49.09 per member as against $54.41 of last year. Certified copies of the Minutes of 1927 Synod were deposited in the deposit vault of the Second National Bank of N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa.

Respectfully submitted,
JAMES S. TIBBY, Stated Clerk.

The report of the Elders' Conference was read by Elder G. G. McLaury. The report was amended, adopted and is as follows:

ELDER'S REPORT

The Elder's Conference would respectfully submit the following resolutions:

1. We are profoundly impressed with the challenge of Rev. R. A. Blair concerning the present crisis of the work of foreign missions and urge that his proposal be endorsed, and that Synod give this matter very serious consideration before deciding to retrench in any respect. That pastors continue to hold before their congregations the tithe, with especial emphasis this year, in order that the whole work of the Church may be carried out more fully.

2. That more young men be encouraged to enter the ministry of the gospel of Christ, in order that vacant congregations may have a Shepherd to lead them.

3. That personal work, as tried in some of our congregations throughout this past year, be entered into by all congregations as a means of bringing men into the saving grace of God, and our church.

4. That one of the functions of the church being the presentation of the Truth, we hold fast to our testimony and distinctive principles so that God will continue to have faith in us and continue His blessings upon us.

5. That we recognize the need of a greater knowledge of the Bible on the part of our people and endorse the "Back to the Bible" movement, which has for its general purposes a Bible being read daily in every home, a Bible being used by every Sabbath school pupil, and the placing of a Bible in every church pew.

6. That J. D. Edgar appoint some elder who is coming to next year's Synod to have charge of the first Elder's meeting at that Synod and prepare a program for the same.

G. G. McLAURY, Chairman,
S. R. DAVIS.

The naming of a special committee to cooperate with those in Indiana and elsewhere interested in securing the acceptance of the modified oath recommended by Synod was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

The report on Unfinished Business was taken up.

Item 11. The Committee on Sabbath Schools to provide substitute lessons for Christmas and Easter. Attended to.

Item 12. Revision of the Book of Discipline. The Chairman, W. J. Coleman, reported nothing done during the year. The Committee was continued.

Item 13. Publication Digest Deliverances of Synod. The report was submitted by J. B. Willson, approved and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE DIGEST

The Committee on the Digest of the Deliverances of Synod respectfully reports:

The deaths of the Chairman, R. C. Wylie, and of R. C. Reed, have reduced the committee to one member. Each of these men had finished before his death the part of the work committed to him.

The work assigned to the surviving member is still unfinished. It is fair to say that the most difficult third was given to him, from the beginning of the Church to 1860. The minutes of the first few years were entirely lacking, and only one complete set of the printed extracts from the year 1807 on was found. The seceding party in 1833 held possession of the records, and the present Stated Clerk of their denomination has no knowledge of their whereabouts. Only within the last year have we laid hands on the written copy taken by W. M. Glasgow from the original minutes, the only copy known to us to be in existence.

This part requires still a considerable amount of work. Notes on all actions to be included have been taken from the printed extracts, and arranged in order, but there remains the labor of copying them out, and of reviewing them finally. In addition, they will need to be rechecked from the complete minutes.

Through a misunderstanding in the committee the material prepared has been differently arranged. The two men who are gone followed the plan of the United Presbyterian book; I have followed the plan of the Presbyterian book. A re-arrangement of material will be necessary. Personally I am convinced that the Presbyterian plan is preferable. In a talk with Dr. Wylie shortly before his death he agreed that we had decided on this plan, but he had forgotten it.

I have with me the work of the other members of the committee, and my work so far as completed. This is ready for examination, if desired.

I am very willing to turn over this material with the unfinished notes to another committee, or to make an effort to complete my work this year. In either case, the suggestion of Dr. Wylie last year should be followed, and men should be placed on the committee who have experience in putting copy in proper shape for the printer. J. B. WILLSON

The Committee was reorganized with J. B. Willson as chairman, and the naming of two additional members was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

Item 14. Literature on the Every Member Canvass to be furnished the congregations. Attended to by J. D. Edgar.

Item 16. The Board of Home Missions to act as a Commission in a certain contingency. There was no call for the service.

Item 17. The Board of Foreign Missions to consider placing all its work on a self-supporting basis. Included in regular report.

Item 18. Professors of the Seminary to assign students to local congregations for pastoral work. Attended to as far as acceptable arrangements could be made.

Item 19. J. S. Tibby to pay certain bills out of the Literary Fund. Attended to.

Item 20. Synod's Board of Trustees to sell the church property at Ray and transfer cemetery property. Included in regular report.

Item 23. Dr. Kate McBurney's expenses to be paid from Traveling Fund. Attended to.

Item 25. Representative on Board of Managers of Lord's Day Alliance. S. R. Boggs reported having performed this duty.

Item 26. Moving expenses of the Secretary of Home Resources to be paid. Attended to.

Item 27. J. S. Tibby to secure for sale 50 copies of "The Menace of Masonry." Attended to.

Item 28. To write letters of sympathy. Those present who had been appointed to write these letters reported having done so.

Item 31. To arrange for this meeting of Synod. Attended to.

Item 32. J. D. Edgar to call the meeting of the Coordinating Committee. Attended to.

The report on Unfinished Business was adopted as a whole. The various items appear in the record as they were acted upon.

On motion of E. A. Crooks, the substance of Item 3 of the report of the Committee on Theological Seminary for 1928, Minutes of Synod 1928, page 78, was reaffirmed to the effect that—

If it is agreeable to local congregations, the Seminary students before licensure, and afterwards, where practicable, be assigned to these congregations for experience in

religious work; such things as evangelistic work, city mission work, young people's work and pastoral visits being in mind.

A hearty vote of thanks was extended by Synod to the Moderator and Clerks; to Mr. R. A. M. Steele for his services as Precentor; to the Winona Association, and to the management and helpers at the Westminster Hotel; and to the Lake City Bank of Warsaw for their help in handling the Traveling Fund. The Moderator in turn expressed his gratitude to the members of the court for the honor conferred and for the courtesy shown him.

The minutes of the evening session were read and approved.

Synod adjourned with prayer by W. J. Coleman, singing the 133rd Psalm, and the benediction pronounced by the Moderator, who then declared the Synod adjourned to meet in the Westminster Hotel, Winona Lake, Indiana, June 3, 1930, at 2:00 p. m.

J. M. JOHNSTON, Moderator,
D. C. MATHEWS, Clerk,
D. B. MARTIN, Asst. Clerk,
T. C. McKNIGHT, Asst. Clerk Pro tem

The following report was received too late for insertion in its proper place in the record.

NEW EDITION OF THE PSALTER

The Committee appointed to prepare and publish the new edition of the Psalter would respectfully report:

Two thousand copies have been published, one hundred of these have been bound in red cloth and red leather for the exclusive use of Synod and similar meetings.

The Topical Index has been enlarged and other changes made with a view to making the book more useful and attractive.

Copyright privileges were secured from the Hope Publishing Co., and also from the United Presbyterian Board of Publication for the use of their music. Your committee was fortunate in being able to secure the service of Mr. C. Austin Miller as proof reader and of Mr. Irwin G. Casper in making the plates.

As the present edition is almost exhausted and that another edition will soon have to be published the committee suggests that all those who have noticed typographical errors report same to Mr. James S. Tibby, 209 9th Street, Pittsburgh, Pa., so they may be corrected in the new edition.

Respectfully submitted,
D. BRUCE MARTIN, Chairman

A. A. WYLIE	ROBERT A. M. STEELE
J. BOYD TWEED	MRS. J. G. REED
J. K. ROBB	MRS. S. E. GREER

MEMOIRS

REV. RICHARD CAMERON WYLIE, D.D., LL.D.

Richard Cameron Wylie was born near Dresden, Muskingum County, Ohio, on August 27, 1846, and departed this life at his home in Pittsburgh, Pa., on July 31, 1928. He received his early education in the public school of the community in which he was born and in 1870 was graduated from Muskingum College, New Concord, Ohio, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts and afterwards received from his Alma Mater the degrees of M.A., D.D., and LL.D.

He was graduated from the Allegheny Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary in 1875; was licensed to preach on May 5, 1874 and ordained to the Gospel Ministry June 15, 1875. He served in three pastorates in the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Hopkinton, Iowa, 1875-82; Cedar Lake, Ray, Indiana, 1884-1891; Wilkinsburg, Pa., 1891-1908. Not only in these pastorates but in its work at large Dr. Wylie served the church he loved ably and well.

In 1908 he was elected to a professorship in the Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary. He filled the chair of the Original Languages and Literature of the Bible in this institution until 1911, when he was transferred to the chair of Systematic Theology and Church History which he filled until his death.

He was Moderator of the Synod of 1891. For seven years he was a member of the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary. For almost thirty years he was a member of the board of Trustees of Geneva College and for the majority of these years its president.

Dr. Wylie rendered much and distinguished service for the Kingdom through other agencies than the Covenanter church. Most of this service was rendered through the National Reform Association in whose work he profoundly believed and to the promotion of which he was most devoted. December, 1882 he was called into this work as a Secretary and Field Worker and continued in this capacity for ten years. For forty years he was on the governing board of the Association. For thirty or more years he had a leading place on the programs of the conventions and conferences of the Association. He was the author of valuable tracts, pamphlets and books published by the Association, among which are: "Sabbath Laws in the United States," "Digest of Sabbath Laws in the United States," and "The Collapse of Christless Civilizations." Perhaps the greatest contribution from his pen to this cause was through the columns of The Christian Statesman, of which he was editor or associate editor for many years.

On June 6, 1876, he was married to Miss Jean Buchanan of Lancaster, Ohio. Four children were born to them of which only one survives. To his wife and daughter we extend sincere sympathy.

Dr. Wylie loved his Savior-King. He was a man of unusual natural endowments which he diligently cultivated and consecrated to the service of his Lord. He rendered long and distinguished service in the Kingdom of God.

A Prince has fallen in Israel. As student and scholar, lecturer and editor, preacher and pastor, reformer and Christian statesman, he has finished his life's work. Nevertheless, through the influence of his personality and work he lives on in the world.

"Were a star quenched on high
For ages would its light,
Still falling downward through the sky
Shine on our mortal sight.

So when a great man dies;
For years beyond our ken,
The light he leaves behind him falls
Upon the paths of men."

R. H. MARTIN.

REV. JAMES MITCHELL FOSTER

James Mitchell Foster was born in Cedarville, Ohio, Sept. 22, 1850. After preliminary schooling in his own neighborhood he attended the University of Indiana, graduating in 1871. Of the six children in his father's home, two of the three daughters married Covenanter ministers, and the three sons, of whom he was the eldest, became ministers in our church. He was made a licentiate by Lakes Presbytery on April 12, 1876, and ordained and installed pastor at Cincinnati, Ohio, December 27, 1877. On September 24, 1878 he married Miss Laura L. Turner of Bloomington, Ind., and together they served the church in Cincinnati until 1886.

On July 1, of that year he became secretary of the National Reform Association. About 5 years later he accepted a call to Second Boston congregation. Here their 7 children were educated. Here his wife died, and here on Sabbath afternoon November 11, 1928, he was struck by an auto and died in a few hours.

Mr. Foster retained his interest in national reform through all his ministry. For years he arranged a convention on that subject annually in one of the large churches of Boston. Sometimes he appeared in hearings before the legislature; often spoke in public gatherings, wrote extensively on that subject, and when he was west, gave lectures in Ohio and Indiana colleges.

At least in late years, his work was a constant battle against limitations. His congregation was small but he gave them carefully prepared sermons; and for some time before his death added to his circle of usefulness by preaching often in the Merrimac Mission. He tried to use the opportunities of his situation in excellent education for his children, and in the public libraries for his own study. With limited income he yet found funds for a wide distribution of the tracts he wrote.

He was a scholar of the old school, believed and preached salvation by the grace of Christ and fought the Roman Catholic Hierarchy as the teacher of a false faith. He lived in a wicked city, but strove for the city which hath foundations whose builder is God. He died, not having received that promise. With future builders, he shall in God's record share the honor of the hope when fulfilled.

PAUL COLEMAN.

REV. JAMES C. McFEETERS, D.D.

The Reformed Presbyterian Synod mourns the absence of our beloved friend, Dr. J. C. McFeeters. He lived a life of loving service. God was so real and near to him that he was glad to remain on earth to serve God or if God wanted him to come to his eternal home, he was ready. He lived the words of Paul, "For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain." He thought of heaven as just the next room to this life. Just as we are not disturbed in the least to go from one room to another in our home, so he thought of death as just passing into another room.

Just In Another Room

"No, not cold beneath the grasses,
Not close-walled within the tomb;
Rather in my Father's mansion,
Living in another room.

Shall I doubt my Father's mercy?
Shall I think of death as doom,
When I know my love is happy,
Waiting in the other room?"

Robert Freeman.

Dr. James C. McFeeters was the son of Thomas and Mary Fletcher McFeeters. He was born in Raphoe, Donegal County, Ireland, January 1, 1848. He came, with his parents, to America in 1850, and they settled at Jamestown, Pa. He received his early education in the Adamsville Academy. Later he attended Westminster College, from which he was graduated in 1870. He then pursued his theological course in our Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Pittsburgh, Pa., where he was licensed by the Pittsburgh Presbytery April 8, 1873. He was ordained and installed pastor of the united churches of Manchester and Parnassus, Westmoreland County, Pa., June 19, 1874. The Brookland Church was added to his charge November 16, 1886. He married Miss Nannie C. Dill, a sister of the late Mr. James R. Dill, February 25, 1875.

Dr. J. C. McFeeters was pastor of the Second Church of the Covenanters, Philadelphia, Pa., for 32 years. He began his work in this charge December 25, 1887. During his pastorate in Philadelphia he was an active member of the Foreign Mission Board. The latter years of his life were spent in visiting and serving the congregations which were without pastors. Though this work was quite strenuous he said that these were the greatest years of his service for the Lord. He rejoiced in this work.

We miss our fellow-worker. He has gone to be with his Christ and our Christ. He has joined those who are mounted upon white horses, the Victorious Redeemed. "I saw heaven opened and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, . . . and the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean." Behold the battalions of the saved! Here come the regiments of the early church lead by the twelve apostles. These are followed by Augustine and his now bold soldiery. Now comes Peter Waldo and the host of Waldensians

old and new. Innumerable hosts follow called the Battalion of the Reformation. Here is Luther, John Huss, John Calvin and others. But especially we are attracted by the next regiment of 18,000 Scotch Covenanters who perished in one persecution, escaped from the clutches of Claverhouse and bloody M'Kenzie and the horrors of the Grass market. Now come the great leaders—Hugh M'Kail, James Renwick, and John Knox. Behold the battalions of missionaries! Livingstone and his brave Africans, Adoniram Judson and his courageous Burmese, Robert Morrison and his loyal Chinese, William Carey and his trustworthy Indians, John G. Paton and his changed cannibals! Ride on ye conquerors under your One Great Victor Christ who rides before on the triumphant White Horse. Could Dr. McFeeters be anything but overwhelmingly delighted in such a COMPANY? Time would fail to speak of all the glorious companies of the redeemed.

One of the great delights of heaven will be the enormous variety of blessings there. Dr. McFeeters in his "New Heaven and a New Earth" expressed a faith and hope that now finds its full fruition in Glory.

Truly a great father and brother is absent from our Synod this year.

FRANK L. STEWART.

REV. THOMAS McFALL, D.D.

Rev. Thomas McFall, D.D., Pastor-at-large in the Evangeline country, was born near Coleraine, County Antrim, Ireland, on August 23, 1848, and died at Somerset, Kings County, Nova Scotia, on January 14, 1929. When about 17 years of age, his mother being dead, Mr. McFall, together with his father, brother, and aunt, emigrated to America and settled in Allegheny, Pa. His education, begun in Ireland, was continued at Westminster and Geneva colleges. He was graduated from Geneva in the class of 1875. Last June, his alma mater conferred the degree of D.D. on Mr. McFall. For a year after graduation, he was business agent for the Christian Statesman. He then studied theology in Allegheny Theological Seminary, and was licensed to preach by Pittsburgh Presbytery on April 8, 1879. The following September 16, he was married to Miss Martha Lyons, of First Philadelphia congregation.

As a licentiate, Mr. McFall preached in Arcadia. On August 25,1881, he was ordained by the New Brunswick and Nova Scotia Presbytery, and was installed pastor of the united congregations of Horton and Cornwallis. The Horton branch was disorganized by the death of an elder, on June 3, 1886, but Mr. McFall continued to hold services for the remnant. The Cornwallis branch continues, the last survival of organized Covenanterism in the Maratime Provinces. Mr. McFall died in its pastorate, the pastorate he assumed as a licentiate almost 48 years ago. He was a man whose life glided on like a river "that waters the woodlands, darkened by shadows of earth, but reflecting an image of heaven."

JOHN H. PRITCHARD.

JAMES MILLIGAN WYLIE, D.D.

James Milligan Wylie, D.D., the son of James and Martha Patterson Wylie, was born near Rushsylvania, Ohio, March 1, 1856, and passed from the labors of earth to the rewards of heaven at Oakdale, Illinois, on Monday, April 29, 1929. These dates measure a life of more than ordinary interest in the ministry of the Reformed Presbyterian Church.

His preparatory education was received in the schools of his native community. He was graduated from Geneva College, then located at Northwood, Ohio, in 1878, where he remained for a year as instructor in mathematics. He received his theological training in the Reformed Presbyterian Seminary, graduating in 1883. On June 22nd of that year he was ordained to the ministry and installed pastor of the New Castle congregation.

On May 9, 1883 he was united in marriage with Miss Elizabeth Porter of New Galilee, who has shared with him the many and varied labors of these long and fruitful years. To Mrs. Wylie and their two daughters the Church extends most sincere sympathy.

On account of ill health he resigned the pastorate of the New Castle congregation in December, 1887. Under the appointment of the Home Mission Board he investigated the possibilities for founding congregations in a number of middle and far-western fields. A trip into Indian Territory resulted in the establishing of our Indian mission. He served the newly organized La Junta congregation as pastor for three years. He organized the work in Denver where he became the first pastor in 1891. He was made Moderator of the Synod of 1895, which met in the Denver church. Dr. Wylie's strength was overtasked by the double work of entertaining Synod and presiding over its sessions. A year and a half was spent in recuperation.

Resuming work, he again found a fruitful field of labor in Colorado. Twelve years were spent in Evans and Greeley. During this time the Greeley congregation was organized and set on a permanent foundation. Then Kansas City claimed his services for twelve years. This too was a return to an earlier field of service. Five years of very efficient service at Oakdale, Illinois, rounded out forty-six years in the ministry of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

He was an earnest, effective preacher. His messages were evangelistic and eminently spiritual. As a preacher he ranked high in the ministry of the Covenanter church, and he supported his pulpit work by a life beautifully in accord with his message. No breath of suspicion ever clouded his reputation, and nothing mean or sordid ever marred his influence.

As a true son of the Covenant, Dr. Wylie was a reformer. He joined issue with the liquor traffic in practical conflict, notably at Evans, Colorado, where he stood opposed to the saloon at the eminent risk of personal harm. While pastor in Denver he secured an amendment to the laws governing divorce procedure that brought them into closer conformity to the law of Christ. When the convention that formed the constitution of Oklahoma was in session he spent considerable time there endeavoring to secure a suitable recognition of Jesus Christ in it. He was ever a champion of the rights of Jesus Christ in national

life. He appeared frequently on the public platform as the champion of this great cause. Only this past winter he engaged in a vigorous campaign to secure the use of the Bible in the public schools of Illinois. He traveled over a thousand miles, mostly by auto, spoke in nine or ten counties, interviewed representative men and women and carried on an extensive correspondence in support of this effort.

His end was a fitting climax to a life so full of earnest activity. For several weeks Dr. Wylie had occasional experiences of depression. Sabbath morning, April 28, he was in his own pulpit. He spoke to a full house with some difficulty. In the evening he preached with his usual vigor. Monday morning the difficulty returned, and he went to see his physician. The doctor was alarmed and called Mrs. Wylie. He was aware of the seriousness of the situation, and said that he was in the Lord's hand and was not anxious. He expressed his confidence by repeating a stanza of the 71st Psalm:

"By thee have I been holden up
From childhood's early days;
To thee who gavest me my birth
Will I give constant praise."

Presently the end came peacefully. Thus there passed from the labors of earth to the joys of heaven, a worthy minister of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, an enthusiastic reformer and a warm-hearted friend.

E. A. CROOKS.

JAMES DAVIDSON McANLIS

One of the early church fathers has said, "The glory of God is a living man, and the life of man is the vision of God."

In few men of this generation has this truth been more exemplified than in the life of J. D. McAnlis, of the College Hill congregation. In his death on January 5, 1929, our church lost one of her most noble Elders and laymen. He was devoted to her principles, loyal to her institutions, and earnest and zealous in all her activities.

It is given to but few men to have such a large part in so many outstanding enterprises. He had a great deal to do with bringing the Reformed Presbyterian Church and cause to Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania, and the nearby vicinity. He was a member of the first Session of Beaver Falls congregation, and served constantly in the eldership of the church until his death.

He was one of the founders of the Keystone Driller Company, one of the leading manufacturing industries of the Beaver Valley. The retail jewelry store of "J. D. McAnlis and Son" is still recognized as the leader in this line of merchandising. He had an active part in the establishment of Geneva College at Beaver Falls, being a member of the Board of Trustees for many years. He was a member of the Board of Corporators of the College from its incorporation until his death. He also served on the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary for many years.

In all his business relationships, his name was a synonym

for honesty and integrity. "His word was his bond." The closing of the retail stores during his funeral, and the presence of his business associates and fellow-merchants at the exercises was a fine tribute to the esteem in which he was held.

J. D. McAnlis was pre-eminently a man of God. His Bible was continually on his work-bench, and on its teachings did he meditate day and night. He would rather gain some new light on divine truth than make a sale. Few could make a purchase from him over the counter without learning of his faith in God and devotion to his truth. To him the counter and the bench were altars. For him to live was Christ. We shall not meet his like again. Perhaps the best summation of his character is found in the "Dedication of the Life of Charles Kingsley," by his wife.

"Who loved God and truth above all things.
A man of untarnished honor,
Loyal and chivalrous, gentle and strong,
Modest and humble, tender and true,
Pitiful to the weak, yearning after the erring,
Stern to all forms of wrong and oppression,
Yet most stern toward himself;
Who being angry yet sinned not;
Whose highest virtues were known only
To his wife, his children, his servants and the poor;
Who lived in the presence of God here,
And passing through the grave and gate of death,
Now liveth unto God forevermore."
"Servant of God, well done."

ROBERT CLARKE.

ROBERT NEWTON REDPATH

Robert Newton Redpath was born in Randolph County, Illinois, October 24, 1842, and died at his residence east of Olathe, Kansas, January 19, 1929.

He married Marian Crawford, December 1, 1864 and moved with his bride to Johnson County, Kansas, the next April. Fifteen other families came with Mr. and Mrs. Redpath by boat up the Missouri River to Kansas City which at that time was a mere landing.

Olathe was from that time to the day of his death, his home. He was one of the Covenanter pioneers of Kansas. The Pleasant Ridge congregation, which is now disorganized, as well as the present Olathe congregation owed much to this hardy, God-fearing man.

Mr. Redpath was a life long member and active worker of the Reformed Presbyterian Church. He was a charter member at Pleasant Ridge. For thirty-five years he taught a Sabbath School class and during twenty-five years of that time, he never missed a Sabbath. He was many years, a respected elder. He believed he was a steward of the Lord and recognized his stewardship by paying the tithe. During the last twenty-five years,

he gave the greater part of his income to the Church, for missions and reform work.

Mr. Redpath was a charter member of the National Reform Association, having attended the original meeting in Sparta, Illinois, in 1863. He was one of the strong, sturdy, oak-like Covenanter characters of Kansas.

Among the monuments which stand to his memory is the Redpath Girl's School in China. He was painstaking as a farmer and amassed a goodly portion of the things of this life. But he was even more painstaking in his relation to his God. His family altar, the weekly prayer meeting and his Church services were no small part of his life.

J. D. EDGAR.

APPENDIX

EIGHTH PRESYNODIC BIBLE CONFERENCE OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Winona Lake, Ind., May 29 to June 4, 1929

9:00- 9:45 a. m. Devotional Studies on Prayer.
Wednesday—Abraham, the Praying Pilgrim.
Thursday—Moses, Israel's Intercessor.
Friday—Elijah, the Praying Prophet.
Saturday—Paul, the Praying Apostle.
Monday—Jesus, the Praying Son.

9:45-10:45 a. m. Bible Study ——— J. M. Coleman
"Paul's Philosophy of Life." Studies in the Epistles of Paul.
Wednesday—The Background of Paul's Philosophy.
Thursday—The World a Christo-centric System.
Friday—Comparison of the First Century and the Twentieth.
Saturday—The Church the Body of Christ.
Sabbath—The New Social Order Created at Pentecost.
Monday—The Incarnation the Explanation of Science and History.

10:45-11:00 a. m. Period of Relaxation.

11:00-12:00 m. Discussion Period.
"Making Our Worship Real."
Wednesday—Securing Proper Reverence ——— H. G. McConaughy
Thursday—Singing Praise Wholeheartedly ——— W. J. Sanderson
Friday—Making the Reading of Scripture—God's Message. ———
Saturday—Spiritualizing Public Prayer ——— R. C. Adams
Monday—Getting the Spirit of Worship into the Offering D. H. Elliott

7:30- 8:30 p. m. Addresses and Discussions.
Wednesday—"Economic Trends" ——— D. R. Taggart
Thursday—"The Place of Children on the Program of the Church" ——— F. F. Reade
Friday—"Books that Have Helped" ——— F. L. Stewart
Saturday—"Facing the Coming Year Fearlessly" (Prayer Service) ——— Dr. Kate McBurney
Monday—"The Kind of Revival Needed in our Church" W. J. Coleman

Sabbath Services

10:00 a. m. Sabbath School.
11:00 a. m. Explanation of Psalm by J. C. Mathews.
Bible Study by J. M. Coleman.
3:00 p. m. Praise Service conducted by M. W. Daugherty.
7:30 p. m. Sermon by W. R. McEwen.

THE JERUSALEM CONFERENCE OF THE INTERNATIONAL MISSIONARY COUNCIL

Tuesday, June 4th.

Presiding: Findley M. Wilson

9:15- 9:30 a. m. Devotional Exercises—Mrs. R. Esmond Smith
9:30-10:00 a. m. The Jerusalem Conference—Its Timeliness, Tasks and Outlook—Walter McCarroll
10:00-10:45 a. m. Discussion.

1. The Motives and Aims of the Missionary Endeavor—James M. Wright, M. D.
2. The Missionary Call to the World.
   (a) To all the Churches of Christ.
   (b) To non-Christians.
   (c) To all who inherit the benefits of secular civilization and contribute to its advancement—Elmer G. Russell

10:45-11:30 a. m. 3. General discussion on questions announced.
11:30-12:00 The Christ of the Jerusalem Conference—D. Raymond Taggart

Noon recess.

2:15-2:30 p. m. Devotional Exercises—Mrs. James M. Wright
2:30-3:00 p. m. The Christian Message in Relation to Race, Industrial and National Problems—R. A. Blair
3:00-3:30 p. m. The Place of Medical Missions in the Work of the Church—R. Esmond Smith, M. D.
3:30-4:00 p. m. The Support of Christian Missions in the Churches at the Home Base—Samuel Edgar

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Moderator ——— Rev. Chung On Tai
Clerk ——— Chan Kong Ngai
English Clerk ——— Rev. E. C. Mitchell

Lo Ting	Chung On Tai	Lo Ting, South China
Tak Hing	Chue Hon Shang	Tak Hing, South China
T'aai P'eng	Supplies	
	E. C. Mitchell	Do Sing, South China
	J. C. Mitchel	Tak Hing, South China
	W. M. Robb	Lo Ting, South China

Colorado

Moderator ——— Rev. M. W. Dougherty
Clerk ——— Rev. D. C. Mathews

Denver	J. G. McElhinney	1295 South Ogden St.
Greeley	D. C. Mathews	1505 Tenth Avenue
La Junta	M. W. Dougherty	317 Lincoln Avenue
	H. B. McMillan	1316 13th Ave., Greeley
	A. I. Robb	5040 Fulton Ave., Van Nuys, Calif.

Illinois

Moderator ——— Rev. W. J. McBurney
Clerk ——— Rev. W. G. Robb
Supplies ——— Rev. M. K. Carson

Bethel	M. K. Carson	411 N. Vine St., Sparta, Ill.
Bloomington	John W. Kennedy, Cor.	Bloomington, Indiana
Oakdale	W. S. Coulter, Cor.	Oakdale, Ill.
Old Bethel	W. G. Robb	Houston, Ill.
Princeton	W. J. McBurney	738 East State St.
Selma	J. M. Johnston, S. S.	914 Mabry Street, Selma, Alabama
	S. F. Kingston	319 Selma Ave., Selma, Alabama
	G. M. Robb	3062 Tyler Ave., Fresno, Calif.
	G. R. Steele	Bloomington, Ind.

Iowa

Moderator ——— Rev. Remo I. Robb
Clerk ——— Rev. Frank E. Allen

Congregation	Minister or Correspondent	Address
Chicago	P. J. McDonald	6552 University Ave.
Hopkinton	F. E. Allen	Hopkinton, Iowa
Morning Sun	H. G. Patterson	Morning Sun, Iowa
Rehoboth	Remo I. Robb	Wyman, Iowa
Sharon	M. W. Baird, Cor.	Morning Sun, Iowa
Vernon	E. I. Dewey, Cor.	Mukwonago, Wis.
Washington	Remo I. Robb	Wyman, Iowa
	W. C. Allen	421 Sherman Ave, Cherokee, Iowa
	Jas. S. McGaw	1284 South Gilpin St., Denver, Colorao

Kansas

Moderator ——— Rev. M. R. Jameson
Clerk ——— Rev. Paul D. White
Supplies ——— Rev. A. J. McFarland

Beulah	A. J. McFarland	Superior, Nebr.
Blanchard	O. F. Thompson	Blanchard, Iowa
Cache Creek	R. C. Adams, S. S.	Apache, Oklahoma
Clarinda	M. S. McMillan	Clarinda, Iowa, R. D. 3
Denison	W. O. Ferguson	Denison, Kansas
Eskridge	Paul D. White	Eskridge, Kansas
Hebron	J. R. W. Stevenson	Idana, Kansas
Kansas City	Paul Coleman	4202 Adams Street, Kansas City, Kans.
Olathe	M. R. Jameson	Olathe, Kansas
Quinter	J. M. Coleman	Quinter, Kansas
Stafford	R. Boyd Wallace, Cor.	Stafford, Kansas
Sterling	Chas. T. Carson	Sterling, Kansas
Superior	A. J. McFarland	Superior, Nebr.
Topeka	D. R. Taggart	922 Clay Street
Winchester	E. K. Patton	Winchester, Kansas
Irving Place Mission, under care Topeka Session		
	W. W. Carithers	Verona, Pa., R. D. 2 Leechburg Road
	C. E. Caskey	Nicosia, Cyprus
	J. W. Dill	Sterling, Kansas
	Isaiah Faris	1112 W. 8th St., Topeka
	J. R. Latimer	Olathe, Kansas
	G. R. McBurney	Sterling, Kansas
	A. J. McFarland	Latakia, Syria

New York

Moderator ——— Frank H. Lathom
Clerk ——— Walter McCarroll
Supplies ——— F. M. Foster

Barnesville, M. S.	Miss Agnes Curry, Cor.	Barnesville, N. B.
Barnet	A. W. Smith	Groton, Vermont

New York (Continued)

Congregation	Minister or Correspondent	Address
Boston	W. J. McKnight	22 Brantwood Road, Arlington, Mass.
Bovina	A. M. Thompson	Bovina Center, N. Y.
Cambridge	Geo. S. Coleman	85 Wendell Street
Coldenham	D. Bruce Elsey	Walden, N. Y.
Cornwallis	J. A. Newcombe, Cor.	Paris, Ontario, Can.
Montclair	T. M. Slater	6 Carteret Street Upper Montclair, N. J.
Newburgh	Edward McNeely, Cor.	314 First Street
Second New York	Walter McCarroll	1438 Shakespeare Ave.
Third New York	F. M. Foster	1865 Morris Avenue Bronx, New York
Walton	F. H. Lathom	115 Townsend St.
White Lake	J. H. Pritchard	White Lake, N. Y.
	J. A. Kempf	Tak Hing, West River, South China

Ohio

Moderator ---------- J. C. Mathews
Clerk ---------- T. C. McKnight
Supplies ---------- W. J. Sanderson

Belle Center	W. J. Sanderson	Belle Center, Ohio
Bellefontaine	H. G. Foster	301 N. Madriver St.
Cedarville, M. S.	Miss F. E. McNeill, Cor.	Cedarville, Ohio
Cincinnati	E. M. Elsey	270 Hosea Street
Hetherton	J. K. Robb	Hetherton, Mich.
Jonathans Creek	T. C. McKnight	New Concord, Ohio
New Concord	T. C. McKnight	New Concord, Ohio
Ray, M. S.	R. O. Logan, Cor.	Ray, Indiana
Southfield	J. C. Mathews	572 Pierce Street Birmingham, Mich.
United Miami	W. J. Sanderson	Belle Center, Ohio
Utica	Gregg Torrens, Cor.	Utica, Ohio
	W. S. Fulton	Belle Center, Ohio
	R. Hargrave	Huntsville, Ohio
	R. S. McElhinney	Bloomington, Ind., R. D.
	R. W. Piper	5424 Walnut Street, Pittsburgh, Pa.
	T. C. Sproull	619 N. Euclid Street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Pacific Coast

Moderator ---------- Samuel Edgar
Clerk ---------- David Calderwood
Supplies ---------- W. A. Aikin

Fresno	G. M. Robb, S. S.	3062 Tyler Ave.,
Hemet	W. A. Aikin	Hemet, Calif.
Los Angeles	David Calderwood	1739 North Ave., 53
Portland	F. D. Frazer	1206 Haight St.
Santa Ana	Samuel Edgar	818 S. Flower St.

Pacific Coast (Continued)

Congregation	Minister or Correspondent	Address
Seattle	A. R. McCracken, Cor.	323 Central Bldg.
	G. N. Greer	Anaheim, Calif., R.S.D.
	J. S. Thompson	Hemet, Calif.

Philadelphia

Moderator ——— F. M. Wilson, D. D.
Clerk ——— S. E. Greer, D. D.

First Phila.	S. E. Greer	206 South 43rd St.
Second Phila.	F. L. Stewart	154 Woodland Ave., Lansdowne, Pa.
Third Phila.	F. M. Wilson	2410 N. Marshall St.
Orlando	D. B. Russell	1351 N. Mills St.

Pittsburgh

Moderator ——— D. Bruce Martin
Clerk ——— A. A. Wylie
Supplies ——— J. B. Willson

Allegheny	E. L. McKnight	3 Allemac Ave., Bellevue Branch, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Bear Run-Mang	J. K. Gault	Rossiter, Pa., R. D. 1
Beaver Falls	D. B. Martin	Darlington Road
Brookland	R. A. Blair, S. S.	Parnassus, Pa.
Cen. Pittsburgh	D. H. Elliott	1474 McFarland Road, South Hills, Pittsburgh
College Hill	R. W. Redpath	3216 Fifth Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa.
Connellsville	J. T. Mitchell	904 Morrell Ave.,
East End	A. A. Wylie	6106 St. Marie St., Pittsburgh, Pa.
Geneva	J. C. Slater	415 31st St., Beaver Falls, Pa.
Little Beaver	J. G. Reed	New Galilee, Pa.
Mercer	W. T. K. Thompson	240 S. Erie St.
Miller's Run	J. G. Vos	Bx. 125, Cecil, Pa.
New Alexandria	R. C. Fullerton	New Alexandria, Pa.
New Castle	E. A. Crooks	605 Oak St.
Parnassus	R. A. Blair	605 Fifth St.
Rehoboth	W. R. White, Cor.	Mosgrove, Pa., R. D. 1
Rose Point	Paul D. McCracken	New Castle, Pa., R. D. 6
Union	J. B. Gilmore	Mars, Pa.
Wilkinsburg	William Esler, Cor.	321 Franklin Ave.
Youngstown	Miss Eliz. Sinclair, Cor.	1031 Hawthorne St.
	Robert Clarke	3207 College Ave, Beaver Falls, Pa.
	John Coleman	2915 College Ave. Beaver Falls, Pa.
	W. J. Coleman	Glenshaw, Pa., R. D. 2
	S. G. Conner	McDonald, Pa., R. D. 4
	S. J. Crowe	116 Garfield Ave., New Castle, Pa.

Pittsburgh—(Continued)

Congregation	Minister or Correspondent	Address
	J. F. Crozier	Rochester Mills, Pa.
	C. A. Dodds	126 Amabel St., Pittsburgh, Pa.
	A. A. Johnston	419 Pearl St., Wooster, Ohio
	J. M. Johnston	Mabry St., Selma, Ala.
	A. Kilpatrick	Valencia, Pa.
	J. S. Martin	3110 Fifth Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa.
	R. H. Martin	3228 Sixth Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa.
	W. C. McClurkin	310 Lafayette Ave., N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa.
	T. A. Elwain	Rose Point, Pa.
	R. J. McIsaac	Mabry St., Selma, Ala.
	R. J. G. McKnight	1311 Singer Place, Wilkinsburg, Pa.
	Robert Park	315 32nd St., Beaver Falls, Pa.
	M. M. Pearce	Geneva College, Beaver Falls, Pa.
	J. L. Pinkerton	Waupauca, Wisconsin
	James Potter	86 Samson St., Ingram, Pa.
	B. M. Sharp	209 Ninth St., Pittsburgh, Pa.
	J. S. Stewart	709 N. Mercer St., New Castle, Pa.
	J. Boyd Tweed	Darlington Road, Beaver Falls, Pa.
	Boyd A. White	Mercer, Pa.
	J. B. Willson	Mars, Pa.
	J. R. Wylie	3231 Fourth Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa.

Rochester

Moderator		E. G. Russell
Clerk and Supplies		W. M. McNeel
Almonte	J. M. Rutherford	Almonte, Ontario, Can.
Lisbon	Albert A. Robson, Cor.	Lisbon, N. Y.
Lochiel	R. H. McKelvey	Glen Sanfield, Ontario
Syracuse	E. G. Russell	228 Amherst St.,
York	W. M. McNeel	York, N. Y.
	William McFarland	222 W. Lafayette St., Syracuse, N. Y.

Levant Mission

Latakia	Khalil Awad	Latakia, Syria
	Hanna Besna	Latakia, Syria
	Mikhail Lattoof	Alexandretta

STATISTICS OF CENTRAL CANADA PRESBYTERY FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1929

CONGREGATIONS	Elders	Deacons or Trustees	On Roll 1928	DECREASE: To Covenanter Congs.	To Other Churches	Suspended	Not Certified	No Trace	Deaths	Total Decrease	INCREASE: Prof. Cov. Children	Prof. by Others	From Cov. Congs.	From Other Churches	Restored	Total Increase	MEMBERSHIP: On Roll 1929	Absent 10 Months	Baptised, not Profs.	Infant Baptisms	Sabbath School Enrol't	Y. P. S. Membership	Tithers	Parsonage	If Rent is charged, how much?	Net Pastor's Salary	CONTRIBUTIONS: Bible Society	National Reform	Budget	Miscellaneous	Total
Number Congs. 3																															
Delburne	2	2	24	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	--	--	2	26	1	7	----	44	20	----	No	$--	$ 303	$ 8	$--	$ 65	$ 15	$ 391
Lake Reno	3	2	57	--	--	--	--	--	1	1	--	--	--	--	--	----	56	5	22	----	55	----	----	Yes	----	96	10	10	190	112	418
Regina Mis. Sta.	----	----	29	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	----	29	----	----	----	----	----	----	No	----	403	----	----	62	175	640
Winnipeg	3	4	29	--	--	2	--	--	--	2	2	2	3	1	--	8	35	1	23	1	71	*37	11	No	----	900	----	----	167	654	1721
Totals	8	8	139	--	--	2	--	--	1	3	2	2	5	1	--	10	146	7	52	1	170	57	11	1	$--	$ 1702	$ 18	$ 10	$ 484	$ 956	$ 3170

*16 in Senior society. 21 in Junior society

No. of Congs. 3. **STATISTICS OF COLORADO PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1929**

Denver	7	5	84	2	--	--	--	--	2	4	6	1	5	--	--	12	92	----	----	2	125	30	35	No	$--	$ 2600	$--	$--	$ 1710	$ 1350	$ 5660
Greeley	7	8	153	5	3	--	--	--	3	11	3	--	3	--	--	6	148	20	21	5	120	30	100	Yes	----	2000	57	15	1342	1277	4691
La Junta	3	4	36	2	1	--	--	--	--	3	1	2	--	--	--	3	36	7	1	‡ 2	55	16	15	No	----	1600	26	----	500	400	2526
Totals	17	17	273	9	4	--	--	--	5	18	10	3	8	--	--	21	276	27	22	9	300	76	150	1	$--	$ 6200	$ 83	$ 15	$ 3552	$ 3027	$12877

‡1 adult

STATISTICS OF ILLINOIS PRESBYTERY FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1929

CONGREGATIONS	Elders	Deacons or Trustees	On Roll 1928	DECREASE: To Covenanter Congs.	To Other Churches	Suspended	Not Certified	No Trace	Deaths	Total Decrease	INCREASE: Prof. Cov. Children	Prof. by Others	From Cov. Congs.	From Other Churches	Restored	Total Increase	MEMBERSHIP: On Roll 1929	Absent 10 Months	Baptised, not Profs.	Infant Baptisms	Sabbath School Enrol't	Y. P. S. Membership	Tithers	Parsonage	If Rent is charged, how much?	Net Pastor's Salary	CONTRIBUTIONS: Bible Society	National Reform	Budget	Miscellaneous	Total
Number Congs. 3																															
Bethel (Sparta)	4	5	69	--	--	--	1	--	3	4	2	8	--	3	--	13	78	23	6	¶7	85	25	40	Yes	$ --	$ 1320	$ 25	$ --	$ 975	$ 685	$ 3005
Bloomington	6	7	107	1	1	--	--	--	--	4	1	--	2	--	--	3	106	19	41	1	150	18	--	No	--	1800	37	3	1100	2483	5423
Oakdale	7	5	146	1	1	--	2	--	1	5	--	--	--	--	--	--	141	8	41	2	142	25	50	Yes	150	1500	7	20	957	509	2993
Old Bethel	5	6	77	3	1	--	--	--	--	4	3	--	--	--	--	3	*75	8	4	--	†130	32	75	Yes	--	1250	40	22	660	340	2312
Princeton	3	4	‖43	--	1	--	--	--	--	‡2	1	--	3	--	--	4	45	15	10	--	40	18	--	Yes	--	900	16	9	186	315	1426
Selma	5	4	72	2	--	6	--	--	1	9	2	--	--	8	1	11	74	--	--	--	132	25	14	No	--	500	--	--	300	561	1361
Totals	30	31	514	7	4	6	3	--	7	28	9	8	5	11	1	34	519	73	102	10	679	143	179	4	$150	$ 7270	$125	$ 54	$ 4178	$ 4893	$16520

* Error of one (1) in last years report. † 55 enrolled in Home Dept. ‡ Decrease of one (1) by ordination to ministry.
‖ Error of five (5) in last years report. ¶ Adult baptisms.

STATISTICS OF IOWA PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1929

No. of Congs. 3.

Chicago	5	4	45	--	1	--	5	--	1	7	--	--	2	--	--	2	40	5	--	--	70	--	18	No	$ --	$ 2200	$ 5	$ 20	$ 300	$ 1236	$ 3761
Hopkinton	5	3	76	1	--	--	--	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	75	8	17	--	66	20	22	Yes	--	1500	8	--	451	545	2504
Morning Sun	4	5	124	--	2	--	--	--	1	3	1	2	3	--	--	6	127	15	18	4	70	20	--	Yes	--	1700	26	29	724	1270	3749
Rehoboth	3	2	23	--	2	--	--	--	--	2	--	--	--	--	--	--	21	4	--	--	--	--	2	Yes	--	500	12	30	266	233	1041
Sharon	6	6	199	3	1	--	6	--	2	12	2	--	--	--	--	2	189	23	61	4	140	50	40	Yes	--	‡1708	89	29	934	525	3285
Vernon	2	--	17	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	17	--	--	--	--	--	--	No	--	40	--	--	95	18	153
Washington	2	2	10	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	10	2	2	--	9	--	7	No	--	188	7	--	125	54	374
Totals	27	22	494	4	6	--	11	--	4	25	3	2	5	--	--	10	479	57	98	8	355	90	89	4		$ 7836	$147	$108	$ 2895	$ 3881	$14867

‡ To February 5th.

STATISTICS OF KANSAS PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1929

CONGREGATIONS	Elders	Deacons or Trustees	On Roll 1928	DECREASE: To Covenanter Congs.	To Other Churches	Suspended	Not Certified	No Trace	Deaths	Total Decrease	INCREASE: Prof. Cov. Children	Prof. by Others	From Cov. Congs.	From Other Churches	Restored	Total Increase	MEMBERSHIP: On Roll 1929	Absent 10 Months	Baptised, not Profs.	Infant Baptisms	Sabbath School Enroll't	Y. P. S. Membership	Tithers	Parsonage	If Rent is charged, how much?	Net Pastor's Salary	CONTRIBUTIONS: Bible Society	National Reform	Budget	Miscellaneous	Totals
No. Congs. 15																															
Beulah	5	5	84						1	1							83	8	26		95	25	10	Yes	$	$ 733	$ 10	$ 9	$ 701	$ 754	$ 2207
Cache Creek	5	2	55								13					16	71	11	42	7	40	12	1				16		328	292	636
Clarinda	5	4	129		3				2	5				1		1	125	17	35	3	134	35		Yes		2000	27		2725	1337	6089
Denison	4	5	103				1		3	4			1	1		2	101		35	3	120	10				1400	16	33	625	‡2673	4747
Eskridge	5	4	67						1	1	2	†1	1		3	7	73	20	11	1	50		15	Yes		900	6		175	476	1557
Hebron	5	3	102	3						3	1					1	100	10	32	2	116	32	50	No		1200	52		725	1286	3263
Kansas City	3	3	73		4					4	2		1			3	72	17	11		91	21	32	No		2200	14	18	1346	1728	5306
Long Branch	6	4	89	1						1			1			1	89	12	24		96	21	50	Yes		1250	31		990	528	2799
Olathe	4	4	98						2	2							96	5	11		105	32	67	Yes		1500	16	40	1056	2559	5171
Quinter	5	6	118	1		2			1	4	4	1				5	119	5	68	5	178	47	70	Yes		1200	13	12	710	1074	3009
Stafford*	4	2	37														37	6	7		38	10		Yes		410			729		1139
Sterling	8	6	203	5	5				5	15	4	1	6			11	199	30	14	2	155	45	85	Yes		1700	45	34	4246	372	6397
Superior	3	3	77						1	1	1		1			2	78	16	10		50	15	18	No		1050			270	366	1686
Topeka	6	6	99		5		1		1	7		2	3			5	97	3	17	9	110	15	80	Yes		1950	18	12	1025	1934	4939
Winchester	8	6	212	5	2				6	13	12					12	211	25	17		121	33	70	Yes		1800			2850	§7032	11682
Irving Pl. Mission																															
Totals	76	63	1546	15	19	2	2		23	61	39	5	14	3	5	66	1551	185	360	32	1499	353	548	10	$	$19293	$264	$158	$18501	$22411	$60627

* Stafford made no report, what is given is from 1928 Minutes of Synod. † 1 adult. ‡ $2023.40 used in repair on the church building. § Building additional Sabbath School room.

STATISTICS OF NEW YORK PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1929

CONGREGATIONS	Elders	Deacons or Trustees	On Roll 1928	DECREASE: To Covenanter Congs.	To Other Churches	Suspended	Not Certified	No Trace	Deaths	Total Decrease	INCREASE: Prof. by Cov. Children	Prof. by Others	From Cov. Congs.	From Other Churches	Restored	Total Increase	MEMBERSHIP: On Roll 1929	Absent 10 months	Baptised, not Profs.	Infant Baptisms	Sabbath School Enrol't	Y. P. S. Membership	Tithers	Parsonges	If Rent is charged, how much?	Net Pastor's Salary	CONTRIBUTIONS: Bible Society	National Reform	Budget	Miscellaneous	Total
No. Congs. 13																															
Barnettsville M. S.																									$	$	$	$	$	$	$
Barnet	3	3	60	1	1					2							58	6	14	1	60	25	26	Yes		1400		10	526	584	2520
First Boston	3	5	58														58	1	16		50		20	No		2000			256	825	3081
Second Boston*	2	2	22							2							20							No		1200				400	1600
Bovina	4	5	56	1					2	3	1					1	54	5	13		60	17	25	Yes		1200		28	600	775	2603
Cambridge	3	5	58		3					3	2		2			4	59	2	18		94	12	30	No		2023			579	2684	5286
Coldenham	4	3	35						3	3							32	12	3		30	18		Yes	200	1000				55	1055
Cornwallis	2		34							6							28							No		500			200		700
Montclair	2	2	41	1						1	1		2			3	43	11	8		35	13	7	No		1200			515	1000	2715
Newburgh	3	4	97		1		2	4	2	9							88				90	30		No		2000			1400	612	4012
Second New York	6	5	156	1	3		5		5	14		3				3	145	9	19	†	150	18		No		4000	50	25	4017	5803	13895
Third New York	6	8	81				5		2	7							74	5	6		84	25		No		3500	10		850	1504	5864
Walton	5	6	105		1			1	1	3	2		1			3	105	2	12		95	24	47	Yes		1250	18	23	1663	1440	4394
White Lake	3	2	35														35	5	8		45	12	19	No		850			300	233	1383
Totals	46	50	838	4	9		12	5	15	53	6	3	5			14	799	58	117	1	793	194	174		4	$200	$22123	$ 78	$ 86	$10906	$15915	$49108

* Second Boston disorganized.

† 1 adult.

STATISTICS OF OHIO PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1929

CONGREGATIONS	Elders	Deacons or Trustees	On Roll 1928	DECREASE: To Covenanter Congs.	To Other Churches	Suspended	Not Certified	No Trace	Deaths	Total Decrease	INCREASE: Prof. Cov. Children	Prof. by Others	From Cov. Congs.	From Other Churches	Restored	Total Increase	MEMBERSHIP: On Roll 1929	Absent 10 Months	Baptised, not Profs.	Infant Baptisms	Sabbath School Enroll't	Y. P. S. Membership	Tithers	Parsonage	If Rent is charged, how much?	Net Pastor's Salary	CONTRIBUTIONS: Bible Society	National Reform	Budget	Miscellaneous	Totals
No. Congs 9 Mission Stations 2																															
Belle Center	3	3	31	1					3	4			2			2	29	7		1	25		13	Yes	$150	600	$ 1	$ 21	375	$ 175	$ 1172
Bellefountaine	3	2	46	1	1				1	3		8				8	51	15	4	‡1	150	15	16	No		850			87	403	1340
Cedarville M. S.		1	15	1			1		1	3							12	2					9		¶33				30	30	93
Cincinnati	3	3	48	2	2					4							44	9	1		125	10		No		2200			319	354	2873
Hetherton	4	4	37				2		3	5	3	1				4	36	10	8	1	30					¶308	10		155	177	650
Jonathan's Creek	2		29														29	1	7	1	35					800	122	15	575	508	2020
New Concord	4	5	58						5	5							53	4	7	1	30	18		No		1100		7	600	604	2311
Ray M. S.	1	1	6														6						2						125		125
Southfield	3	7	62				1		1	2					1	1	61	8	18	1	115	19		No		2000	57	93	725	1153	4028
United Miami	4	5	65	1					1	2	3					3	66	12	8	2	70	25	25	No		1200		7	400	300	1907
Utica			†46														†46												55		55
Totals	27	31	443	6	3		4		15	28	6	9	2		1	18	433	68	53	8	580	87	65	1	$150	$ 9091	$190	$143	$ 3446	$ 3704	$16564

† Last year ‡ 8 Adult baptisms ¶ Supplies

No. Cong. 6 STATISTICS OF PACIFIC COAST PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR ENDING MAR. 31, 1929

Fresno	3	1	11							1							10				60		7		$	$ 300	$ 5	$	$ 50	$ 106	$ 506
Hemet	3	1	36													1	37				43	13	32			700	13	3	235	147	1098
Los Angeles	5	5	140													14	154		26	3	228	40	88			3000			2280	2817	7410
Portland	2	3	18														15		2		125	12	11			500	18		25	475	1118
Santa Ana	5	4	109							3							117		9		110	22	60			2500	50	84	1525	1971	6130
Seattle	4	4	125							22						10	103				125	25	40			3000			300	3150	5680
Totals	22	18	439							26						25	436		37	3	691	112	238		$	$10000	$ 86	$ 87	$ 4415	$ 8666	$21942

STATISTICS OF PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1929

CONGREGATIONS	Elders	Deacons or Trustees	On Roll 1928	DECREASE: To Covenanter Congs.	To Other Churches	Suspended	Not Certified	No Trace	Deaths	Total Decrease	INCREASE: Prof. Cov. Children	Prof. by Others	From Cov. Congs.	From Other Churches	Restored	Total Increase	MEMBERSHIP: On Roll 1929	Absent 10 Months	Baptised, not Profs.	Infant Baptisms	Sabbath School Enroll't	Y. P. S. Membership	Tithers	Parsonage	If Rent is charged, how much?	Net Pastor's Salary	CONTRIBUTIONS: Bible Society	National Reform	Budget	Miscellaneous	Totals
No Congs. 20																															
Allegheny	7	9	84	2	1	--	--	--	3	6	6	--	2	--	--	8	86	--	12	1	140	28	65	No	$ --	$ 2400	$ 80	$ 25	$ 1414	$ 1475	$ 5394
Bear Run-Mahoning	2	--	41	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	41	2	15	1	46	25	12	Yes	100	801	--	--	320	285	1406
Beaver Falls	6	9	116	1	--	4	--	--	1	6	4	--	1	--	--	5	115	6	45	3	178	25	40	Yes	--	1493	10	43	1212	2799	5557
Brookland	1	--	12	--	--	--	--	--	1	1	2	--	--	--	--	2	13	1	4	1	--	--	--	No	--	120	--	--	10	6	136
Central Pittsburgh	8	7	233	--	4	--	14	--	8	26	2	15	3	3	--	23	230	11	8	7	400	35	--	No	--	3500	85	3264	6363	9339	22551
College Hill	6	6	206	--	8	--	--	--	2	10	3	1	3	3	--	10	206	21	46	‰6	249	91	133	No	--	2320	10	1170	1855	6187	11542
Connellsville	3	5	46	--	2	--	†16	--	3	21	--	--	--	--	--	--	25	--	25	--	65	24	10	No	--	1642	--	50	105	58	1855
East End	5	3	60	--	4	--	--	--	3	7	--	1	--	--	--	1	54	3	11	3	108	25	--	No	--	2400	--	53	674	2685	5812
Geneva	7	7	112	2	--	--	--	--	--	2	2	1	1	6	1	11	121	9	39	1	210	--	45	Yes	--	2100	100	--	1967	2353	6520
Little Beaver	3	6	48	1	1	--	--	--	1	3	3	--	--	--	--	3	48	3	14	--	54	14	8	Yes	--	960	--	38	284	571	1853
Mercer	3	4	49	--	1	--	--	--	2	3	1	--	--	--	--	1	47	--	10	1	40	--	24	No	--	1300	35	--	550	248	2133
Millers Run	2	--	39	--	1	--	--	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	38	4	--	--	105	--	24	No	--	990	9	--	1000	845	2844

† Roll purged.

‰ One adult.

STATISTICS OF PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1929 (Continued)

CONGREGATIONS	Elders	Deacons or Trustees	On Roll 1928	DECREASE: To Covenanter Congs.	To Other Churches	Suspended	Not Certified	No Trace	Deaths	Total Decrease	INCREASE: Prof. Cov. Children	Prof. by Others	From Cov. Congs.	From Other Churches	Restored	Total Increase	MEMBERSHIP: On Roll 1929	Absent 10 Months	Baptised, not Profs.	Infant Baptisms	Sabbath School Enrol't	Y. P. S. Membership	Tithers	Parsonage	If Rent is charged, how much?	Net Pastor's Salary	CONTRIBUTIONS: Bible Society	National Reform	Budget	Miscellaneous	
New Alexandria	4	6	95	--	--	--	--	--	1	1	2	--	--	1	--	3	97	12	21	5	75	20	---	Yes	300	1500	---	25	1610	814	3949
New Castle	7	10	150	--	1	--	1	†4	--	2	5	2	--	12	1	18	160	9	20	2	198	30	50	Yes	500	1800	---	128	1514	2117	5559
Parnassus	5	5	57	--	--	--	--	3	--	4	2	2	--	--	--	4	57	4	13	1	80	15	50	Yes	----	1800	----	147	1100	4101	7148
Rehoboth	3	4	34	2	3	--	3	--	--	8	--	--	--	--	--	----	26	----	----	----	16	----	10	Yes	100	532	----	----	150	111	793
Rose Point	5	4	49	--	--	--	--	--	1	1	--	1	--	--	1	2	50	7	16	2	86	20	15	Yes	----	921	----	----	359	593	1873
Union *	5	4	48	1	1	--	--	--	--	2	3	--	5	--	--	8	54	11	7	2	34	----	12	No	----	543	----	13	307	294	1157
Wilkinsburg	6	6	124	--	4	--	--	--	2	6	2	--	1	2	--	5	123	3	27	3	158	61	39	Yes	----	1900	34	82	4512	5040	11568
Youngstown	¶	1	24	--	1	--	1	--	--	2	--	--	--	--	--	----	22	2	----	----	77	----	3	No	----	445	6	----	60	359	870
Totals	88	96	1627	9	32	5	41	--	31	118	37	30	17	17	3	104	1613	108	333	39	2319	413	540	10	1000	$29467	$369	5038	$25366	$40280	100520

* Union and North Union. ¶ Provisional session † Roll purged.

STATISTICS OF PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1929

CONGREGATIONS	Elders	Deacons or Trustees	On Roll 1928	DECREASE: To Covenanter Congs.	To Other Churches	Suspended	Not Certified	No Trace	Deaths	Total Decrease	INCREASE: Prof. by Cov. Children	Prof. by Others	From Cov. Congs.	From Other Churches	Restored	Total Increase	MEMBERSHIP: On Roll 1929	Absent 10 months	Baptised, not Profs.	Infant Baptisms	Sabbath School Enrol't	Y. P. S. Membership	Tithers	Parsonges	If Rent is charged, how much?	Net Pastor's Salary	CONTRIBUTIONS: Bible Society	National Reform	Budget	Miscellaneous	Total
No. Congs. 4																															
First Philadelphia	6	4	135		6				1	7	3	1		1		5	133	9	16	2	85	26	? 45			$ 3000	$	$ 29	$ 1973	$ 2022	$ 7024
Second Philad'lphia	3	7	141	2					5	7	1			1		2	136	10	29	3	104	33	?			2800	79		1715	4132	8726
Third Philadelphia	5	4	155		3		†		4	7	1			2		3	151		32		104					3600	214	125	6595	6238	16772
Orlando, Fla.	4	4	64	3					1	4	1		3	1		5	65	16	5		65	25	20			780			219	550	1549
Totals	18	19	495	5	9				11	25	6	1	3	5		15	485	35	82	5	358	84	? 65			$10180	$293	$154	$10502	$12942	$34071

† One entered ministry, J. G. Vos.

No. of Congs. 5. **STATISTICS OF ROCHESTER PRESBYTERY FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1929**

Almonte	5	4	71						1	1	6					6	76	3	21		62	18	59	Yes	$	$ 1200	$ 35	$ 3	$ 320	$ 671	$ 2229
Lisbon	2	2	18														18				11			No		†250			100	50	400
Lochiel	2	1	20								3					3	23	1	11		30		3	Yes		366	49	2	94	153	864
Syracuse	4	3	63						2	2	4	4				8	69	2	12	*	100	25	40	No		2400	46	13	1555	2576	6590
York	5	3	50		5					5							45	1	14	1	20		25	Yes	200	1200	10	21	239	230	1700
Total	18	13	222		5				3	8	13	4				17	231	7	58	1	223	43	127	3	$200	$ 5416	$140	$ 39	$ 2508	$ 3680	$11783

* 3 adult baptisms. † For supplies.

STATISTICS OF MISSION FIELDS ABROAD

STATIONS	MISSIONARIES						NATIVES				CONGREGATIONS						MEMB'IP			SCHOOLS			HOSPIT'S			Total Church Contribution
	Ministers	Wives	Medical	Teachers	Nurses	Bible Women	Ordained	Licensed	Teachers	Bible Women	Number Settled Pastors	Elders	Deacons	Baptisms	Sabbath School Attendance	On Roll	Increase	Decrease	Boarding	Day	Enrollment	Bed	In Patients	Out Patients	
Latakia	1		1	3	--	1	2	--	23	2	1	2	2	20	483	242	7	6	2	17	641	----	----	----	$ 582
Mersina	--		--	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----
Larnaca	1		--	3	--	--	1	2	7	--	1	3	3	----	125	75	6	----	1	----	210	----	----	----	597
Nicosia	1		1	3	--	--	--	1	7	1	1	3	3	1	90	52	5	3	1	----	101	----	----	----	580
Tak Hing	3		--	--	1	1	1	3	--	--	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----
Lo Ting	1		1	--	--	2	1	3	--	--	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----
Tiai Ping	--		--	--	--	--	--	1	--	--	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----
9 Mission Stations	--		--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----
Totals	7	10	3	9	1	5	5	10	37	3	3	8	8	21	698	369	18	9	4	17	952	----	----	----	$ 2029

No report from China.

SUMMARY

PRESBYTERIES	Congregations	Mission Stations	Ministers	Elders	Deacons or Trustees	On Roll 1928	DECREASE: To Covenanter Congs.	To Other Churches	Suspended	Not Certified	No Trace	Deaths	Total Decrease	INCREASE: Prof. Cov. Children	Prof. by Others	From Cov. Congs.	From Other Churches	Restored	Total Increase	MEMBERSHIP: On Roll 1929	Absent 10 Months	Baptised, not Profs.	Baptisms	Sabbath School Enrol't	Y. P. S. Membership	Tithers	Parsonage	CONTRIBUTIONS: Bible Society	National Reform	Pastor's Salary	Budget	Miscellaneous	Total
Central Canada	3	1	2	8	8	139			2			1	3	2	2	5	1		10	146	7	52	1	170	57	11	1	$ 18	$ 10	$ 1702	$ 484	$ 956	$ 3170
Colorado	3		5	17	17	273	9	4				5	18	10	3	8			21	276	27	22	9	300	76	150	1	83	15	6200	3552	3027	12877
Illinois	6		8	30	31	519	7	4	6	3		7	28	9	8	5	11	1	34	519	73	102	10	679	143	179	4	125	54	7270	4178	4893	16520
Iowa	7		6	27	22	492	4	6		11		4	25	3	2	5			10	479	57	98	8	355	90	89	4	147	108	7836	2895	3881	14867
Kansas	15	1	19	76	63	1546	15	19	2	2		23	61	39	5	14	3	5	66	1551	185	360	32	1499	353	548	10	264	158	19293	18501	22411	60627
New York	13	1	12	46	50	838	4	9		12	5	15	53	6	3	5			14	799	58	117	1	693	194	174	4	78	86	22123	10906	15915	49108
Ohio	9	2	7	27	31	443	6	3		4		15	28	6	9	2		1	18	433	68	53	16	580	87	65	1	190	143	9091	3446	3704	16564
Pacific Coast	6		6	22	18	455							26						25	436		37	3	691	112	238		86	87	10000	4415	8666	21942
Philadelphia	4		4	18	19	496	5	9				11	25	6	1	3	5		15	485	35	82	5	358	84	65		293	154	10180	10502	12942	34071
Pittsburgh	20		42	88	96	1627	9	32	5	41		31	118	37	30	17	17	3	104	1613	108	333	39	2319	413	540	10	369	5038	29467	25366	40280	100520
Rochester	5		5	18	13	221		5				3	8	13	4				17	231	7	58	4	223	43	127	3	140	39	5416	2508	3680	11783
Foreign Missions	6	9	7	19	8	772							9						18	369			21	698									2029
Totals	97	14	123	396	376	7821	59	91	15	73	5	115	402	131	67	64	37	10	352	7337	625	1314	149	8565	1652	2186	38	$ 1793	$ 5892	128578	$86753	120355	344078

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Geneva, Eastvale Jr.—Mrs. Cameron Patterson, College Hill, Beaver Falls, Pa.
Little Beaver Jr.—Mrs. J. G. Reed, New Galilee, Pa.
Millers Run Jr.—Dr. Ida Scott, Cecil, Pa.
New Alexandria Jr.—Mrs. R. C. Fullerton, New Alexandria, Pennsylvania.
New Castle Jr.—Mrs. Belle Helm, 608½ Spruce St.
Parnassus Jr.—Miss Anna Blair, 605 Fifth St.
Rose Point Jr.—Miss Margaret McElwain, Rose Point, Pa.
Wilkinsburg Jr.—Mrs. Charles Heazlett, 817 North Ave.

STATISTICS OF THE SOCIETIES

Colorado Presbyterial

SOCIETIES	Membership	Honorary and Associate	Local Expense	Sacrificial Gifts	Thankoffering	Total Contributions	Standing
Denver	30	4	$ 31	$	$ 44	$ 244	85
Greeley	41	7	38		54	184	85
La Junta	14		11		30	120	
Denver Y.	9	4				57	
Greeley Y.	28	3				9	
	122	18	$ 80		$ 128	$ 614	

Illinois Presbyterial

Bloomington	37	3	$ 39	$ 35	$ 17	$ 373	84
Oakdale	28		16	10	16	97	75
Old Bethel	14	15	13		7	77	
Sparta	29	16			22	46	
Princeton	12	1	2		29	53	80
Selma	18		8		5	57	80
Oakdale Y.	29		6	36	5	188	
	167	35	$ 84	$ 81	$ 101	$ 891	

Iowa Presbyterial

Chicago	17	7	$ 59	$ 95	$ 100	$ 274	86
Hopkinton	35		42		38	89	89
Morning Sun	35		55	3	90	192	72
Sharon	18	3	35	20	74	223	79
	105	10	$191	$118	$ 302	$ 778	

Kansas Presbyterial

Beulah	14		$ 32	$ 5	$ 5	$ 79	74
Blanchard	23	5	46		53	131	98
Clarinda	30		78		85	420	
Denison	25	2	31		40	134	70
Eskridge	17		12		28	85	
Hebron	25	4	29		60	152	88
Kansas City	20	6	59		56	163	80
Olathe	39	1	567		85	687	67
Quinter	47	13			100	309	91
Stafford	9	1	6		21	52	79
Sterling	48		21		100	324	90
Superior	14	2	22		32	69	70
Topeka	25	10	17	12	78	381	86
Winchester	44	5	25		20	225	
	380	49	945	$ 17	$ 763	$3211	

New York Presbyterial

SOCIETIES	Membership	Honorary and Associate	Local Expense	Sacrificial Gifts	Thankoffering	Total Contributions	Standing
Barnet	15	9	$ 13	$ 86	$ 26	$ 162	71
Bovina	22	12		40	87	182	61
Cambridge	20		38	35	135	217	55
Coldenham	20	4	63	20	101	218	77
Montclair	15	3	9	50	172	269	75
Newburgh	27	5			40	59	
Second New York	39	9	20	88	311	999	
Third New York	12				200	229	
Syracuse	25	6	26	26	175	290	93
Walton	31	6		37	34	186	
	226	54	169	$382	$1281	$2811	

Ohio Presbyterial

Belle Center	14	2	$ 36	$	$ 28	$ 67	64
Bellefontaine	18		17		22	47	
Cincinnati	16	1	32		51	175	
Hetherton	11	1	4	5	7	16	
New Concord	25	1	34	10	56	145	65
Northwood	21	9	17	20	79	130	81
Southfield	27	18	105	56	151	442	92
Utica	10			10	51	88	
White Cottage	17		5		120	400	
	159	32	250	$101	$ 565	$1510	

Pacific Coast Presbyterial

Hemet	8	1	$ 11	$	$ 5	$ 19	
Los Angeles	69	34	75	165	185	824	92
Santa Ana	37	14	15	25	44	120	89
Santa Ana Y.	38	2			31	66	53
	152	51	101	$190	$ 265	$1029	

Philadelphia Presbyterial

First Philadelphia	35	2	$ 11	$ 15	$ 179	$ 462	
Second Philadelphia	29		31		145	608	77
Third Philadelphia	53	20	57		1325	3304	78
Orlando	20	6	22	7	10	74	79
	137	28	121	$ 22	$1659	$4448	

Pittsburgh Presbyterial

SOCIETIES	Membership	Honorary and Associate	Local Expense	Sacrificial Gifts	Thankoffering	Total Contributions	Standing
Allegheny	22	5	$ 25	$ 30	$ 85	$ 339	95½
Bear Run	13	11	55		40	183	80
Beaver Falls	35	21	16	10	155	250	53
Beaver Falls Y.	14	3	2		40	70	
Central Pittsburgh	83	4	27	40	516	1098	89
Central Pittsburgh Y.	10					10	
College Hill	31	2	12	105	266	716	90½
College Hill Y.	32	9	12	95	137	439	86
Connellsville	10	2	4		19	50	86
East End	18		7	42	119	249	79
Faith Mission	30		41		32	127	
Geneva	18	5	11		90	291	88
Little Beaver	16	6	16	10	65	118	88
Millers Run	10	8	1	30	90	235	61
New Alexandria	30	7	163		81	262	65½
New Castle	53	8	30	31	93	351	90½
New Castle Y.	21	6			19	19	79
Parnassus	35	6	36	5	132	297	91
Rose Point	32	10	51	11	40	269	67
Union	13		2	15	54	126	75
Wilkinsburg	44	23	2	78	206	687	95
Wilkinsburg Y	30	1	11		154	320	79
Youngstown	10			12	21	77	72
	610	137	524	$514	$2454	$6583	

SUMMARY STATISTICS---WOMEN'S SYNODICAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY

For Year Ending March 31, 1929

PRESBYTERIALS	Number of Societies	Active Members	Honorary Members	Associate Members	Average Attendance	Work and Social Meetings	Mission Study	Uniform Programs	Missionary Review	Jr. & Int. Societies	Indian Missson	Southern Mission	Jewish Mission	China Mission	Levant Mission	Aged People's Home	Presbyterial Contingent	Synodical Contingent	Church Budget	Other Contributions	Sacrificial Gifts	Thankoffering	Local Expenses	Syno Life Memb's Memorial	Syno Life Memb's Senior-Juni'r	Totals
Colorado	5	122	7	11	61	34	4	5	---	2	$ -----	$ ---	$ 5	$ ---	$ 115	$ 47	$ 5	$ 9	$ 91	$ 134	$ ---	$ 128	$ 80	----	---	$ 614
Illinois	7	167	35	---	75	45	5	7	1	4	------	20	----	5	27	10	16	13	232	302	81	101	84	----	---	891
Iowa	4	105	9	1	50	7	4	4	---	3	20	---	---	---	-----	---	7	7	86	48	118	302	191	----	---	779
Kansas	14	379	33	16	185	135	14	14	4	10	9	10	6	42	773	14	63	31	290	287	18	842	945	----	---	3330
New York	10	226	42	12	114	67	10	10	4	6	------	5	42	25	10	168	46	21	15	647	382	1280	169	----	---	2810
Ohio	9	159	26	6	81	42	5	9	2	2	------	25	9	75	42	47	14	9	61	262	101	565	250	25	25	1510
Pacific Coast	4	152	46	5	69	72	4	4	2	4	30	25	37	25	30	35	13	10	205	63	190	265	101	--	---	1029
Philadelphia	4	137	23	5	59	31	3	4	3	3	------	415	232	1090	360	68	30	18	100	258	22	1659	121	75	---	4448
Pittsburgh	24	610	79	58	247	195	20	20	2	15	1021	215	108	190	332	223	51	44	421	460	514	2455	524	‡75	‖50	6583
Separate Societies	3	50	1	8	32	23	2	3	----	1	-----	5	----	10	20	----	----	2	50	------	----	55	26	----	---	168
Totals	84	2107	301	122	973	651	71	80	18	50	$ 1080	*720	$439	1462	$ 1709	$612	$245	$164	$ 1551	$ 2461	1426	$ 7652	$ 2491	125	25	$22162

* $415 for Home Missions. † $1090 Foreign Board. ‡ ‖ $100 included in Thankoffering.